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**2** FULL LENGTH  
**DAREDEVIL**  
stories

CHARLES  
BIRO

OOO...BUT YOU CAN'T  
BE THE LOVERS' LANE  
KILLER! YOU'RE JUST  
TOO, TOO HANDSOME!  
OH, DEAR, OH, DEAR,  
OH, DEAR!

SHUT  
YOUR TRAP!  
AND GET  
OUT! BOTH OF  
YOU!

I KNEW IT!  
I KNEW IT!  
THAT DOPE  
SCARECROW IS  
OVER ACTIN'!

SHHHH...  
SHUT UP PEE WEE!  
LET HIM HAM!  
HE'S DOING  
ALL RIGHT!

SHUSH!

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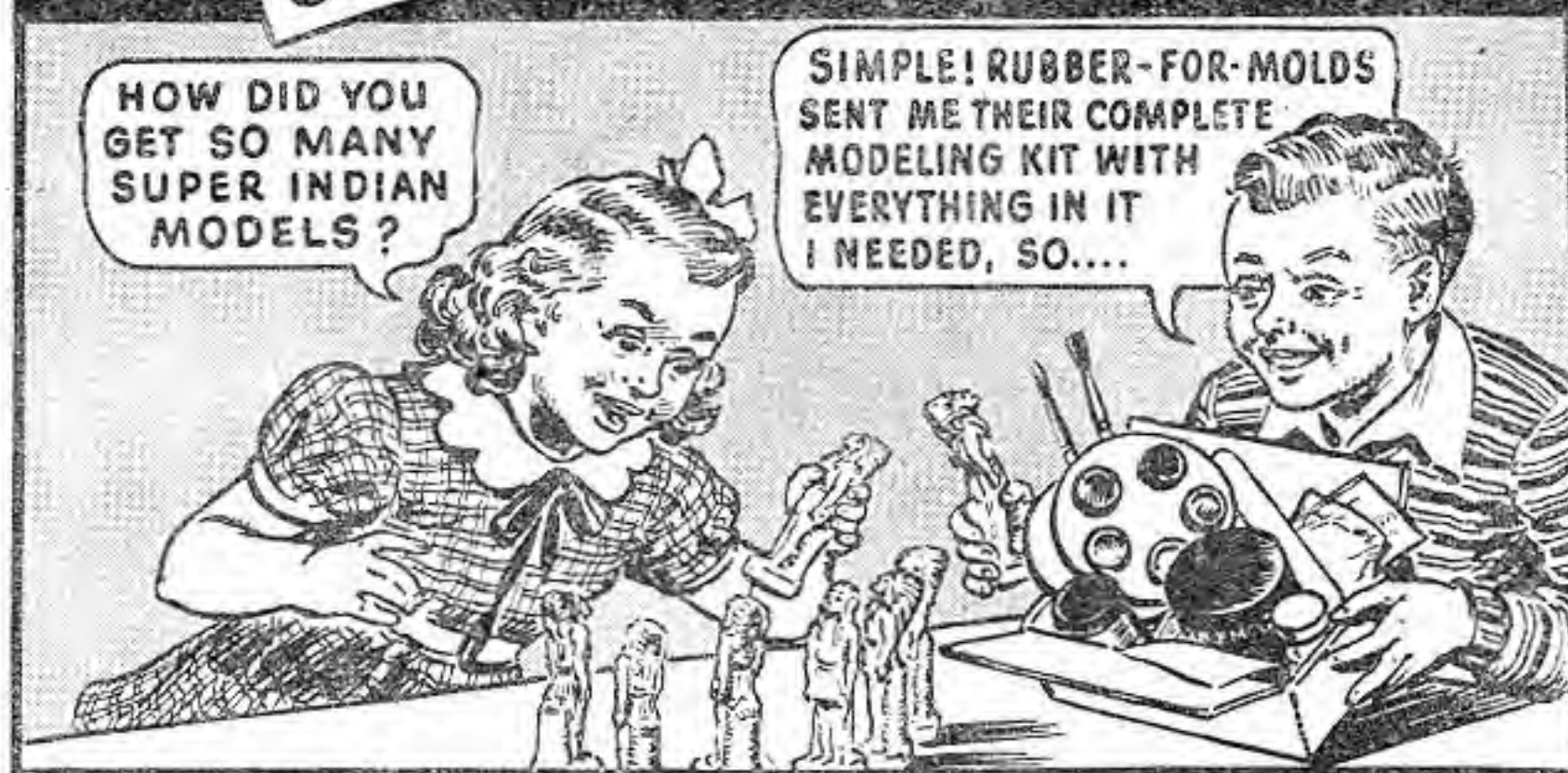


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LOOKS  
EASY!

YOU SAID IT! WHEN THE  
RUBBER DRIES, I STRIP IT  
OFF AND I'VE GOT A RUBBER  
MOLD OF THE INDIAN.

WHAT  
DO YOU  
DO WITH  
THAT?

JUST POUR MODELING  
POWDER INTO IT. THEN  
WHEN IT DRIES, I  
REMOVE THE RUBBER.

DOES THAT  
MAKE A CAST  
OF THE INDIAN?

YUP - JUST LIKE MAGIC! NOW I  
PAINT THE INDIAN. SHUCKS, I CAN  
MAKE HUNDREDS OF 'EM FROM THIS  
ONE MOLD... SELL 'EM, TOO! YOU CAN  
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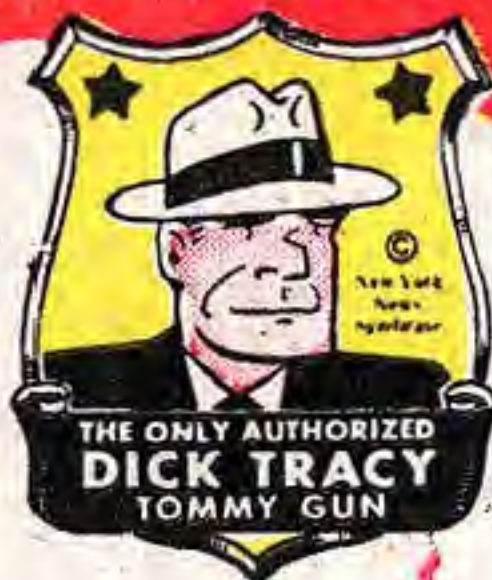
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AGENT X-28'S APARTMENT.  
RIGHT AWAY



I HAVE TO HAND  
IT TO YOU.  
JUNIOR, THAT  
WAS CERTAINLY  
FAST THINKING



IT'S LUCKY I  
HAD THIS DICK  
TRACY TOMMY  
GUN WITH ME.  
IT LOOKS SO  
MUCH LIKE THE  
REAL THING, IT  
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PEOPLE



YES, KIDS,  
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# DAREDEVIL

and the **LITTLE WISE GUYS**

STORY BY  
**CHARLES BIRO**

DRAWN BY  
**NORMAN MAURER**

SCARECROW,  
YOU BIG  
GOOF! HOW  
COULD YOU FORGET  
EVERYTHING AFTER  
SOLOING JUST  
YESTERDAY!

I THINK WE'RE  
TOO LOW! MAYBE  
I OUGHT TO MAKE  
IT GO HIGHER—NOW  
LET'S SEE...DO I  
PUSH IT AHEAD TO  
MAKE IT GO UP, OR  
PULL IT TO GO  
DOWN?

**T**HERE ARE SEVERAL PROFESSIONS UPON WHICH PEOPLES' WELL BEING AND SAFETY DEPEND TO A PROPORTIONATELY GREAT EXTENT! THE INTEGRITY OF THE MEN IN VARIOUS FIELDS WHO ARE ENTRUSTED WITH THESE RESPONSIBILITIES, IS ACCEPTED WITHOUT QUESTION! NEVERTHELESS, ON OCCASION, AN UNSCRUPULOUS PRACTITIONER MAY FIND HIS WAY INTO PUBLIC TRUST! LET'S FACE IT—MERELY BECAUSE A DISHONORABLE MAN IS EMPLOYED IN AN HONORABLE PROFESSION, IT DOES NOT AUTOMATICALLY MAKE HIM HONEST! HE WOULD BE JUST AS UNETHICAL AND UNPRINCIPLED, WERE HE A DOCTOR, A LAWYER, AN ARCHITECT, OR AN ENGINEER! IN THIS CASE, WITHOUT INTENDING REFLECTION UPON THE RESPECTED PROFESSION OF THE PATENT ATTORNEY, ONE OF THIS PROFESSION BETRAYED HIS TRUST!

*Charles Biro*

HAINES, YOU'VE HAD MY INVENTION FOR SIX MONTHS AND YOU STILL HAVEN'T SECURED MY PATENT! IF YOU DON'T WANT TO HANDLE IT, JUST SAY THE WORD!

YOU'VE GOT A RIGHT TO BE ANXIOUS, MR. GILBERT, BUT I'VE BEEN WORKING ON IT CONSTANTLY! YOU KNOW, IT TAKES TIME TO SEARCH IT THOROUGHLY! I'M DOING THE BEST I CAN!

I'D COUNTED HEAVILY ON BEING ABLE TO EXHIBIT IT AT THE AIR SHOW! WITH PEOPLE SO SAFETY CONSCIOUS TODAY, ALMOST ANYTHING THAT INCREASED SAFETY STANDARDS WOULD BE WELL RECEIVED! MY IDEA MAKES A PLANE COMPLETELY FOOL PROOF! I WANT TO STRIKE WHILE THE IRON IS HOT!

YOU WON'T HAVE TO WAIT MUCH LONGER! I'D SAY ANOTHER MONTH OR SIX WEEKS AT THE MOST! JUST BEAR WITH ME!

I UNDERSTAND YOU'RE IMPATIENT, BUT YOU KNOW, ROME WASN'T BUILT IN A DAY, SO DON'T WORRY, MR. GILBERT! AN INVENTION LIKE YOURS TAKES A LITTLE MORE TIME THAN USUAL BUT IT'S WORTH IT!

BUT IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE YOU'VE BEGUN TO WORK ON IT! WELL, I SUPPOSE YOU'RE RIGHT! IT'S JUST THAT I'M ANXIOUS TO SEE IT IN USE!







NOW THAT YOU'RE THROUGH WITH THE PAPER AND YOU'VE CHANGED YOURSELF FROM BART HILL TO 'THE PROFESSOR'! PROFESSOR WHO? AND THEN WHAT?

THAT'S RIGHT, CURLEY! WE DO HAVE A COUPLE OF OTHER THINGS TO FIGURE OUT! FIRST, A NEW PLACE FOR ME TO LIVE, AND SECOND, A NEW NAME!



A PLACE TO LIVE? THAT'S EASY— WHY NOT LIVE HERE IN THE BARN WITH US? IF WE ALL RITCH IN, WE COULD FIX IT UP IN BANG-UP STYLE!

THAT'S A KEEN IDEA, JOCK, THAT IS, IF YOU'RE SURE YOUR FATHER WON'T MIND!



MIND? HE'LL BE ALL FOR IT! HOT DIGGETY—IT'S NOT MUCH TO LOOK AT, RIGHT NOW, BUT WITH SOME PAINT AND SCRUBBING, IT'LL BE AS HOMEY AS ANYTHING!

YOU DON'T HAVE TO SELL ME ON IT, JOCK! I CAN'T THINK OF ANYWHERE I'D RATHER SHACK THAN WITH YOU WISE GUYS!



YIPPEE! THIS IS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE! D.D. LIVIN' HERE WITH US! YIPPEE!

STOP COUNTING YOUR CHICKENS! WE'VE STILL GOT TO MAKE THIS PLACE LIVEABLE FOR D.D., AN' WE'VE GOT TO THINK OF A NEW NAME FOR HIM!

OKAY, SOUR-PUSS, CAN'T A GUY BE HAPPY? I'M HAPPY INSIDE SO I GET HAPPY OUTSIDE! WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?

NOTHING, SCARE-CROW, BUT PEE WEE IS RIGHT! I HAVE TO COOK UP A NEW NAME! WHO'S GOT ANY SUGGESTIONS?



UMMM, NOT OFFHAND! SUPPOSIN' WE GET STARTED. FIXIN' UP THIS BARN WHILE WE THINK UP A NAME!

THAT'LL GIVE US PLENTY OF TIME TO THINK! WE'VE GOT AT LEAST A WEEK'S WORK HERE! LET'S GET STARTED!



WAIT A MINUTE—I HAVE IT! A SWELL NAME FOR DAREDEVIL! PROFESSOR LIVEDERAD... LIVEDERAD! GET IT? IT'S D.D. BACKWARDS!

HUH?



AW, HAVE A HEART, PEE WEE! I CAN'T GO AROUND WITH A NAME LIKE THAT!

SURE! AND BESIDES, ANY DOPE COULD FIGURE THAT ONE OUT!

HOW ABOUT RED ADEVIL, OR ED VILADER HUH?

LIVEDERAD.. WHAT'S IT BACKWARDS? I DON'T GET IT?



HE NEEDS SOMETHING SIMPLE...EASY TO REMEMBER.. WAIT! I THINK I'VE GOT IT!









RELAX, WILL YOU? YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING ON YOUR MIND, KILROY! GIVE OUT! WHAT'S EATIN' AT YA?

HOW DID YOU GUESS, PROFESSOR? AS A MATTER OF FACT, I HAVE! I'VE BEEN WONDERING HOW YOU'D FEEL ABOUT THE PAPER BUYING A PLANE! IT WOULD BE A GREAT HELP IN GETTING ON THE SPOT NEWS!



KILROY, HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU IT'S YOUR PAPER! NOW GET THIS—YOU CAN DO ANYTHING YOU WANT! HOWEVER, JUST FOR THE RECORD, I THINK IT'S A HONEY OF AN IDEA! GOT ANY SPECIAL MODEL IN MIND?



I SURE HAVE! IT'S A FOUR PLACE SEA AIR! IT'S GOT EVERY NEW SAFETY DEVICE! YOU'LL BE NUTS ABOUT IT! IT'S THE BEST LITTLE PERSONAL PLANE I EVER SAW!

SOUNDS MIGHTY GOOD TO ME! WHERE DID YOU SEE IT?



AT THE AVIATION SHOW THIS AFTERNOON! SAY, I'VE GOT A WHOLE MESS OF PRESS TICKETS! WHY DON'T YOU ALL GO?

WHAT DO YOU SAY, FELLERS? WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO TO THE AVIATION SHOW?

WOULD WE?

OH, BOY!

COUNT ME OUT, PROFESSOR! I'M MORE IN THE MOOD FOR A GOOD MOVIE!



WE'LL BE SEEING YOU! THANKS FOR THE TICKETS, KILROY!



WOW! LOOK AT ALL THE PLANES! I'LL BET EVERY ONE BUILT IS HERE! HEY, LOOK AT THIS NEW GAVION! IT SURE IS SMOOTH! OH, BOY, AM I GONNA LOVE THIS!

WHAT'S ALL THAT COMMOTION OVER THERE ON THE OTHER SIDE? LET'S TAKE A LOOK SEE!



THAT'S WHAT YOU ARE! ALL OF YOU! **ROBBERS! THIEVES!** YOU STOLE IT! YOU STOLE MY INVENTION!



YOU BLACK-HEARTED DEVILS! I'LL GET MY REVENGE! YOU WAIT AND SEE!

GET OFF YOUR SOAP-BOX, SCREW-BALL! IT'S OUTSIDE FOR YOU!

WHAT'S ALL THE EXCITEMENT, ABOUT?

SEARCH ME? SOME CRAZY NUT BLEW HIS TOP—SOMETHING ABOUT A STOLEN INVENTION!

WELL, FELLOWS, HERE'S THE PLANE THAT KILROY'S SO HEPPED UP ABOUT! LET'S TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT IT!

HE'S CERTAINLY GOT GOOD TASTE! IT SURE IS A SLICK LOOK-ING JOB!



STEP CLOSER, FOLKS! THIS IS NORMAN BROKENSPIRE! IN EXACTLY FIVE MINUTES, WE BEGIN OUR QUIZ PROGRAM! ALL YOU DO IS ANSWER A FEW QUESTIONS! WHO WANTS TO TRY? HOW ABOUT IT, YOUNG FELLOW?

WHO? US? GOSH, NOT ME, THANKS!

WE'RE ON THE AIR! NOW, BOYS DON'T BE NERVOUS! THIS QUIZ IS AS EASY AS LANDING ONE OF OUR PLANES! ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS! LET'S SEE, WE'LL TAKE THIS LITTLE BOY, FIRST!

WHADDAYA MEAN, "LITTLE"?

CAN A CONVENTIONAL AIRPLANE FLY BACKWARDS?

SURE, IF IT'S GOIN' UPWIND AND THE WIND'S SPEED IS FASTER THAN THE PLANE'S GROUND SPEED!



AMAZINGLY RIGHT! NOW FOR NUMBER TWO: WHAT'S A GROUND LOOP?

THAT'S A SUDDEN TURN OF A TAXYIN' PLANE, ISN'T IT?

RIGHT, AGAIN! NOW, FOR THREE: CAN A SOLO STUDENT FLY PASSENGERS?

I DON'T THINK SO! DOESN'T HE HAVE TO HAVE A PRIVATE'S LICENSE, FIRST?

THE YOUNGSTER WAS PRETTY SMART! NOW THEN, YOUNG MAN, HOW MANY WHEELS HAS A TRICYCLE LANDING GEAR GOT?

THAT'S SILLY! WHY THREE, OF COURSE!

RIGHT! HOW FAST DOES AN AIRPLANE LAND?

THAT DEPENDS ON ITS NORMAL GLIDING SPEED AND OTHER FACTORS!

DON'T BE NERVOUS, FELLER! WE'LL START ON AN EASY ONE: HOW MANY WINGS HAS A MONOPLANE?

UH...IT'S A...IT'S GOT FOUR WINGS—RIGHT?



RIGHT! NOW THEN, HERE'S YOUR THIRD QUESTION: WHO MADE THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL HEAVIER THAN AIR FLIGHT?

THE WRIGHT BROTHERS, IN 1903!



WRONG AGAIN! HERE'S YOUR LAST TRY! WHAT'S A STRUT?

OH...A STRUT... THAT'S A FUNNY WAY OF WALKIN'! YOU KNOW, STRUTTIN' DOWN THE STREET!



WRONG! WHAT'S A TAKE-OFF?

IT'S WHEN SOMEBODY IMITATES SOMEBODY ELSE, AIN'T IT?





WE ARE READY TO ANNOUNCE THE WINNER! HE IS NONE OTHER THAN OUR LAST CONTESTANT! YOUNG MAN, YOU ARE TO RECEIVE FREE FLYING INSTRUCTIONS IN OUR LATEST MODEL, SEA AIR PLANE!

WHO, ME? G.GOSH!

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WHAT WE INTEND TO PROVE, IS THAT ANYONE, HOWEVER DUMB, CAN LEARN TO FLY AND SOLO ONE OF OUR PLANES IN FOUR HOURS, OR ONE HALF THE TIME NORMALLY REQUIRED BY THE C. A. A.!

GEE, NOW I'M SORRY I ANSWERED THE QUESTIONS RIGHT!

27th Annual AAU AIR SHOW



PARDON ME! I NOTICED YOU WERE WITH THE BOY WHO WON THE FREE LESSONS! COULD YOU GIVE ME HIS NAME AND ADDRESS? I'LL NEED IT FOR OUR RECORDS!

CERTAINLY!

IT SURE PAYS TO BE DUMB SOME-TIMES!



ISN'T HE CLUE--THAT ONE I WAS TALKING TO OVER THERE? HE LOOKS A LITTLE SEEDY, BUT WITH THE RIGHT CLOTHES AND WITHOUT THOSE THICK GLASSES!

LINDA LANE, YOU MUST BE CRAZY! HE LOOKS LIKE A FIRST CLASS DEAD HEAD - TO ME!



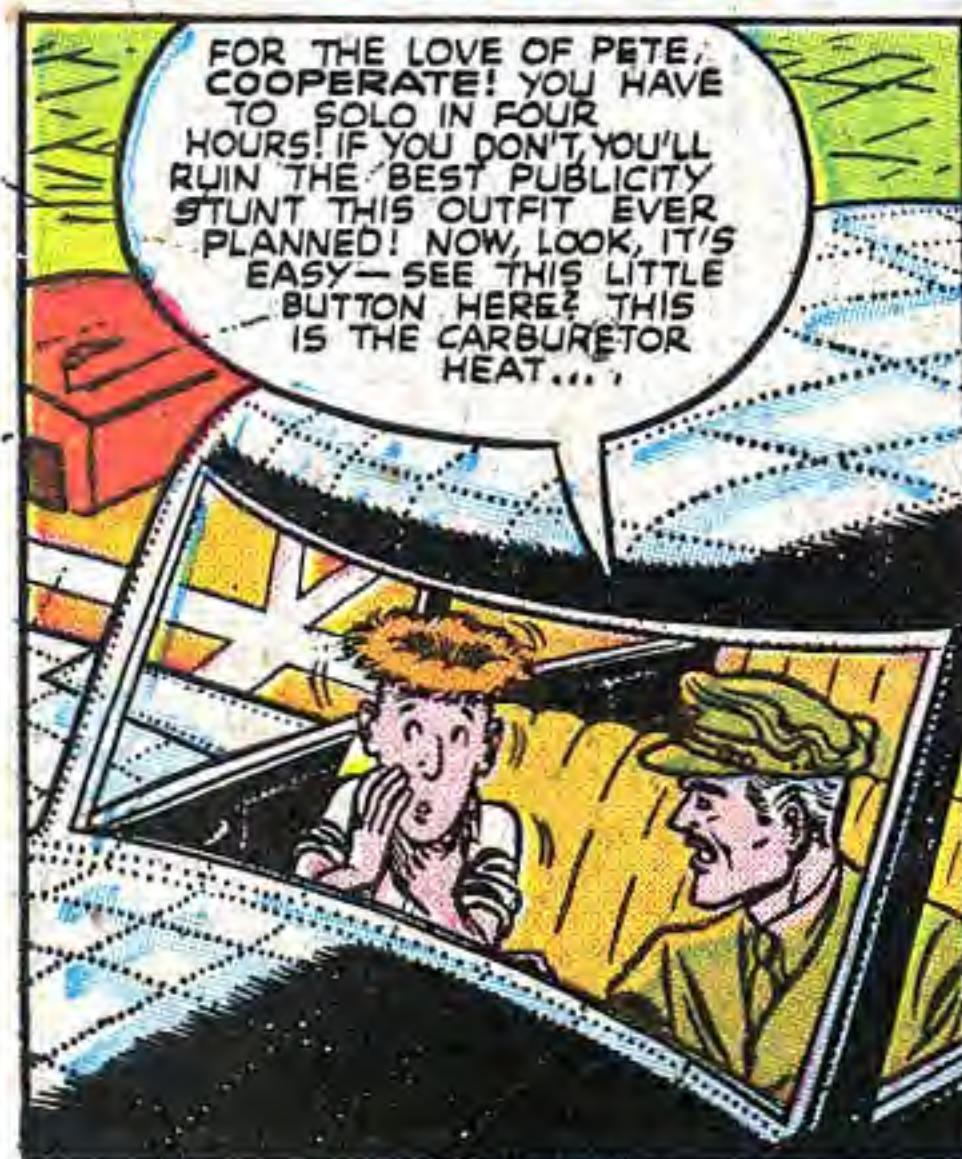
GOOD-MORNING THERE, MY BOY! I TAKE IT YOU'RE ALL SET FOR YOUR FIRST LESSON?

UH-HUH! I...I GUESS SO! (GULP)

SCARECROW, SEE IF YOU CAN'T CLEAR OUT THAT CUE-BALL HEAD OF YOURS! GOOD LUCK!



NOW WE'RE TAKING OFF! NOTICE HOW I FIRST EASE THE WHEEL FORWARD, IN, ORDER TO RAISE THE TAIL-- AS I REACH FLYING SPEED, WHICH IN THIS PLANE IS FIFTY MILES AN HOUR, I EASE IT BACK! WAKE UP--FOLLOW ME THROUGH ON THIS!



FOR THE LOVE OF PETE, COOPERATE! YOU HAVE TO SOLO IN FOUR HOURS! IF YOU DON'T, YOU'LL RUIN THE BEST PUBLICITY STUNT THIS OUTFIT EVER PLANNED! NOW, LOOK, IT'S EASY--SEE THIS LITTLE BUTTON HERE? THIS IS THE CARBURETOR HEAT...



NO! NO! NO! DON'T HAUL BACK ON IT! THIS ISN'T A TUG O' WAR! PLANES RESPOND TO GENTLE CONTROLS! IN FACT, IF YOU GET INTO TROUBLE WITH THIS PLANE, LET GO OF THE CONTROLS AND SHE'LL LEVEL OFF BY HERSELF! NOW TRY ANOTHER LANDING!



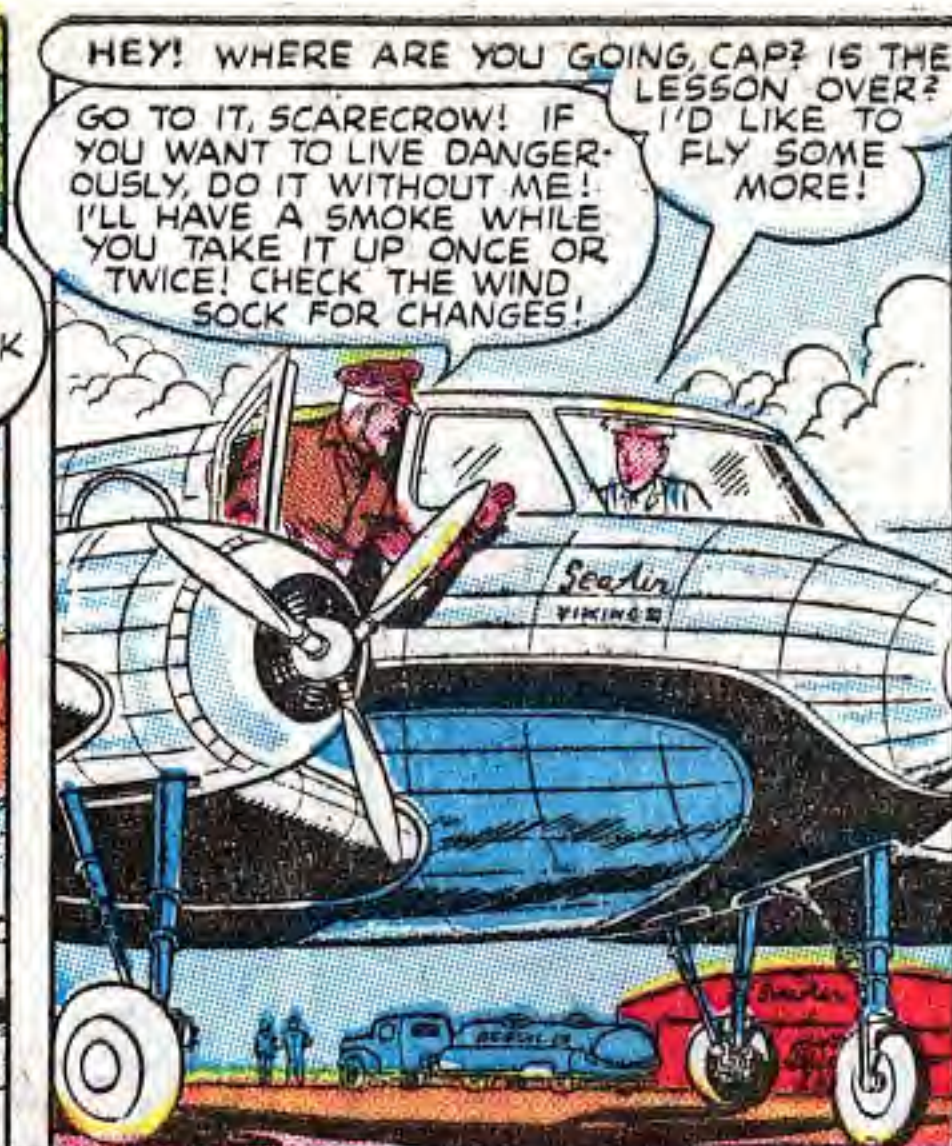
THAT'S IT! THAT'S IT! YOU'RE GETTING THE FEEL OF IT, NOW! REMEMBER, DON'T LET THE PLANE GO BELOW OR ABOVE EIGHTY MILES PER HOUR! THAT'S ITS GLIDING SPEED--THAT IS, UNTIL YOU'RE TEN OR FIFTEEN FEET ABOVE THE GROUND! THEN YOU LEVEL OUT AND HOLD IT 'TIL YOU'RE ABOUT TO TOUCH, WHICH IS TWO OR THREE FEET! THEN YOU EASE BACK UNTIL THE PLANE STALLS AND TOUCHES!





LET'S SEE NOW! THIS IS THE END OF YOUR FOURTH FLYING LESSON AND DARN, IF I DON'T THINK YOU HAVE A FAIR IDEA OF WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT! HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT IT?

I..I.. KINDA LIKE IT! I ALMOST THINK I COULD SOLO!

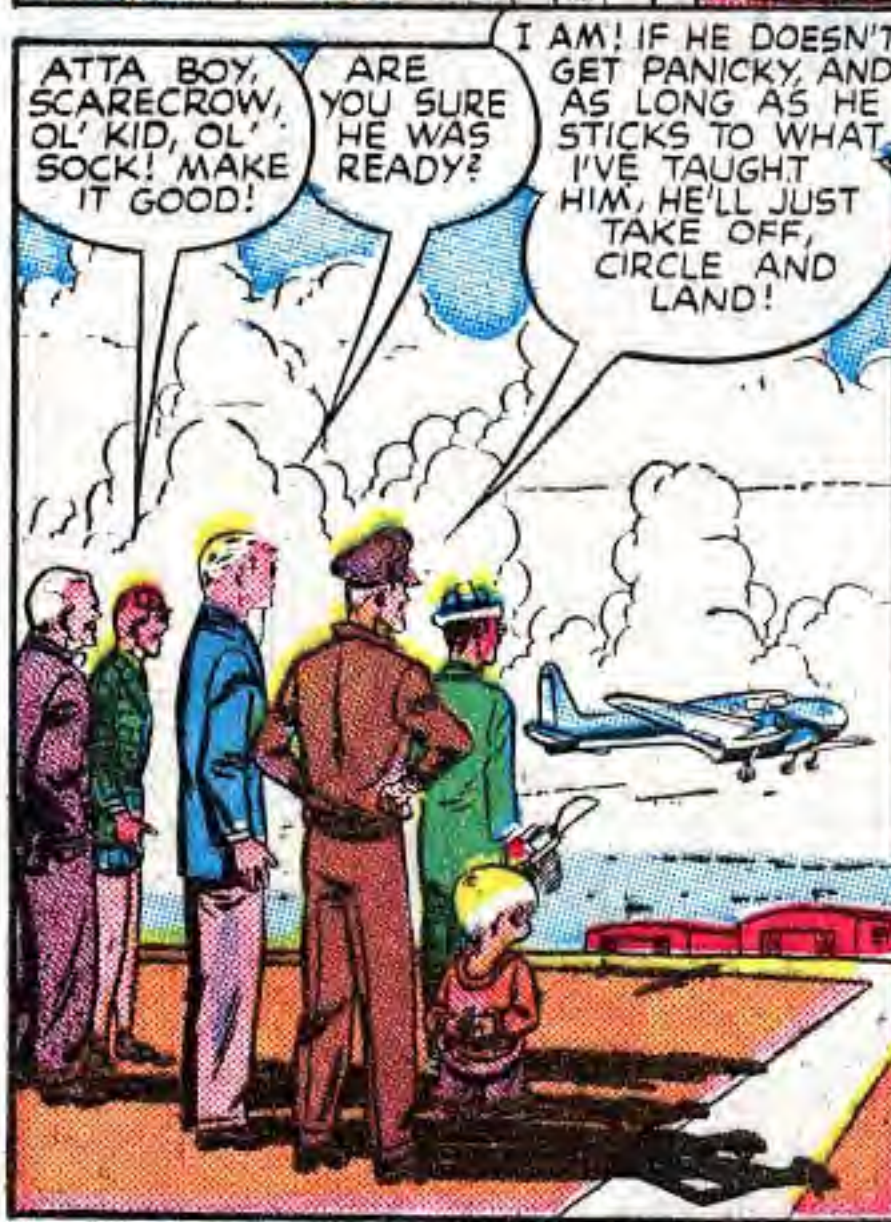


HEY! WHERE ARE YOU GOING, CAP? IS THE LESSON OVER? GO TO IT, SCARECROW! IF YOU WANT TO LIVE DANGEROUSLY, DO IT WITHOUT ME! I'LL HAVE A SMOKE WHILE YOU TAKE IT UP ONCE OR TWICE! CHECK THE WIND SOCK FOR CHANGES!

I'D LIKE TO FLY SOME MORE!



SOLO...GOSH... I THINK I CAN... ONLY...WHAT-IF SOMETHING WENT WRONG? BUT HE THINKS I CAN DO IT...AND CAP SHOULD KNOW! IT'S NOW OR NEVER, I GUESS... GOSH!



ATTA BOY, SCARECROW, OL' KID, OL' SOCK! MAKE IT GOOD!

ARE YOU SURE HE WAS READY?

I AM! IF HE DOESN'T GET PANICKY, AND AS LONG AS HE STICKS TO WHAT I'VE TAUGHT HIM, HE'LL JUST TAKE OFF, CIRCLE AND LAND!



BOY, IS HE A DUMB ONE! IF I COULD TEACH HIM, I COULD TEACH ANYONE!

HE'S NOT REALLY SO DUMB! HE HAS PLENTY OF INTELLIGENCE, BUT HE'S VERY MODEST AND UNSURE OF HIMSELF! GIVE HIM TIME—HE'LL BECOME QUITE A MAN SOME DAY!



HOLY SMOKE! THE KID'S GONNA MAKE A THREE POINT LANDING!

PINCH ME TO SEE IF I'M AWAKE! I'M SIGNING UP FOR A FLYING COURSE, RIGHT NOW!



I MADE IT! I SOLOED! HEY, FELLERS! DAREDEVIL! DID YOU SEE ME?

SHUDDUP, DOPE! IT'S BILL HART, REMEMBER? ANYHOW, NICE GOIN' SCARECROW!

YEA, SCARECROW!



AS PRESIDENT OF THE SEA AIR AIR-CRAFT COMPANY, I CONGRATULATE YOU! YOU'VE HELPED US PROVE THAT OUR PLANES ARE VIRTUALLY FOOLPROOF!

WHY, PROFESSOR HART, WE MEET AGAIN! REMEMBER ME FROM THE AIR SHOW?

I SURE DO! GOOD MORNING!





WELL, GENTLEMEN, DO YOU THINK THIS PERFORMANCE WILL HELP SELL OUR PLANES? I CAN SEE IT NOW, 'BOY LEARNS TO FLY IN FOUR HOURS IN SUPER-SAFETY PLANE!'. NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL GOOD COPY!

AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, I'M SOLD ON YOUR PLANES, WITHOUT PUBLICITY! THEY'RE THE BEST ON THE MARKET! I'D LIKE TO BUY ONE! WILL YOU TAKE MY ORDER?



YOU WOULD? WHAT SAY, WE ALL GO OVER TO THE CAFETERIA AND TALK ABOUT IT WHILE WE'RE EATING? THESE BOYS MUST BE PRETTY HUNGRY BY NOW!



I TELL YOU WHAT, KILROY! I'VE BEEN HOLDING THE FIRST EIGHT MODELS THAT CAME OFF THE ASSEMBLY LINE FOR DEMONSTRATION MODELS, BUT I'LL LET YOU HAVE ONE IF YOU WANT IT! IT WOULD BE FINE PUBLICITY!

DO I WANT IT? I'LL WRITE YOU A CHECK RIGHT NOW!



THERE! FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS! HOW LONG WILL IT BE BEFORE I CAN EXPECT DELIVERY?

YOU CAN FLY IT AWAY TODAY IF YOU LIKE! IT WILL TAKE THE MECHANICS AN HOUR TO GET IT READY FOR FLIGHT! ...OH, WAITER!



TELL THE MECHANICS IN HANGAR 'A' TO FUEL AND WARM UP ONE OF THE NEW FOUR PLACE SEA AIRS FOR MR. KILROY! WAIT...HAVEN'T I SEEN YOU SOME PLACE BEFORE?

UNDOUBTEDLY! I'VE BEEN WORKING HERE FOR A NUMBER OF MONTHS, SIR!



I KNOW THIS SHIP WILL BE PERFECT FOR COVERING YOUR OUT OF TOWN NEWS STORIES! CAN YOU FLY ON INSTRUMENTS, MR. KILROY?

I'VE HAD ABOUT EIGHT HUNDRED NIGHT HOURS IN THE E.T.O., BUT I'D LIKE TO TAKE A CHECK-RIDE IN THE SHIP, ANYWAY!

THE PLANE WILL BE READY IN AN HOUR, SIR! CARE FOR ANYTHING ELSE?



I THINK I'LL HAVE ANOTHER CUP OF COFFEE!

ANYONE ELSE CARE FOR MORE SODAS OR CAKE?

NO THANKS!

I'M FULL!

ENOUGH FOR ME!



OF COURSE, YOU HAVE YOUR PRIVATE TICKET?

YES, SIR! SINCE I'VE COME BACK, I'VE BEEN FLYING AT A SMALL PRIVATE FIELD—MOSTLY LUSCOMBES, AND CESSNAS AT SEA-WINGS!





THE PLANE'S ALL SET FOR MR. KILROY'S CHECK FLIGHT, SIR!

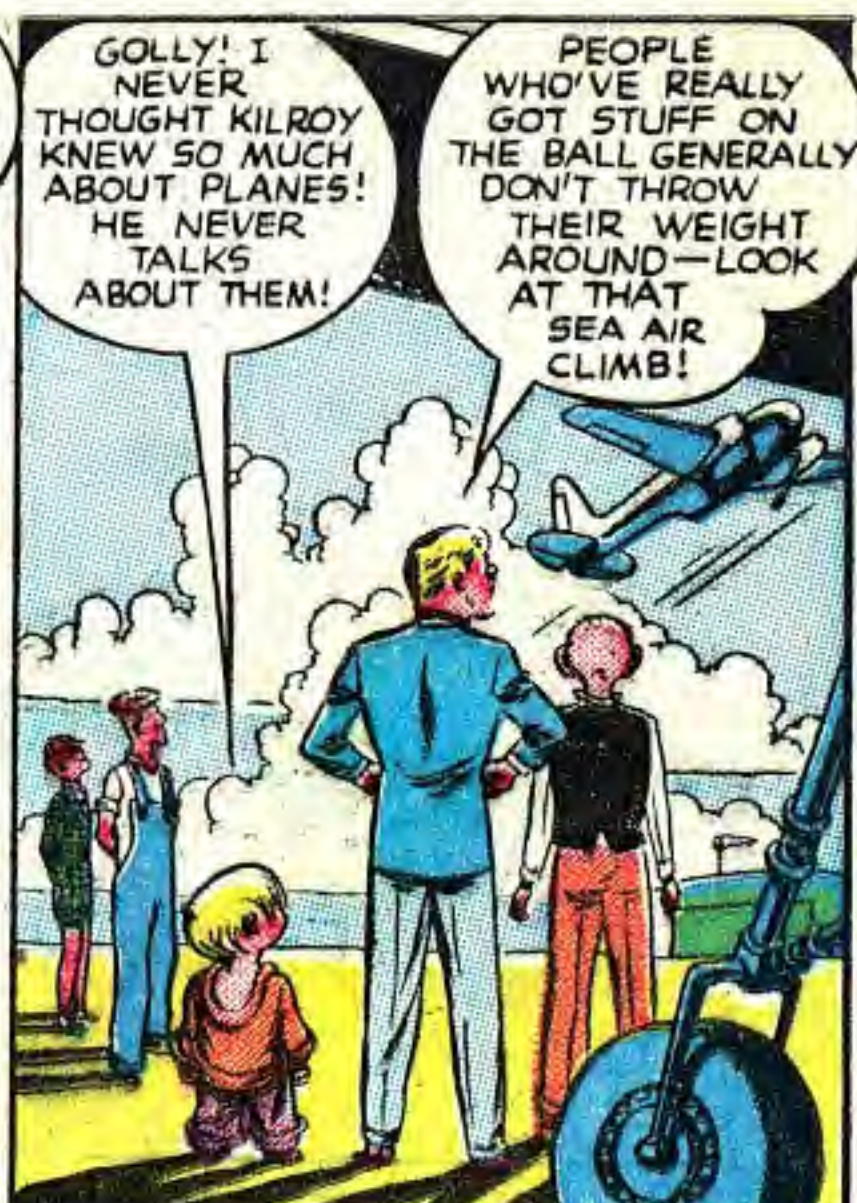
HOW ABOUT THIS, KILROY? SUPPOSE I DRIVE THE CAR BACK AND MEET YOU AT THE CITY AIRPORT? YOU TAKE THE BOYS WITH YOU! I DON'T THINK THEIR TOTAL WEIGHT WILL REACH YOUR PAY LOAD!



OH, BOY!

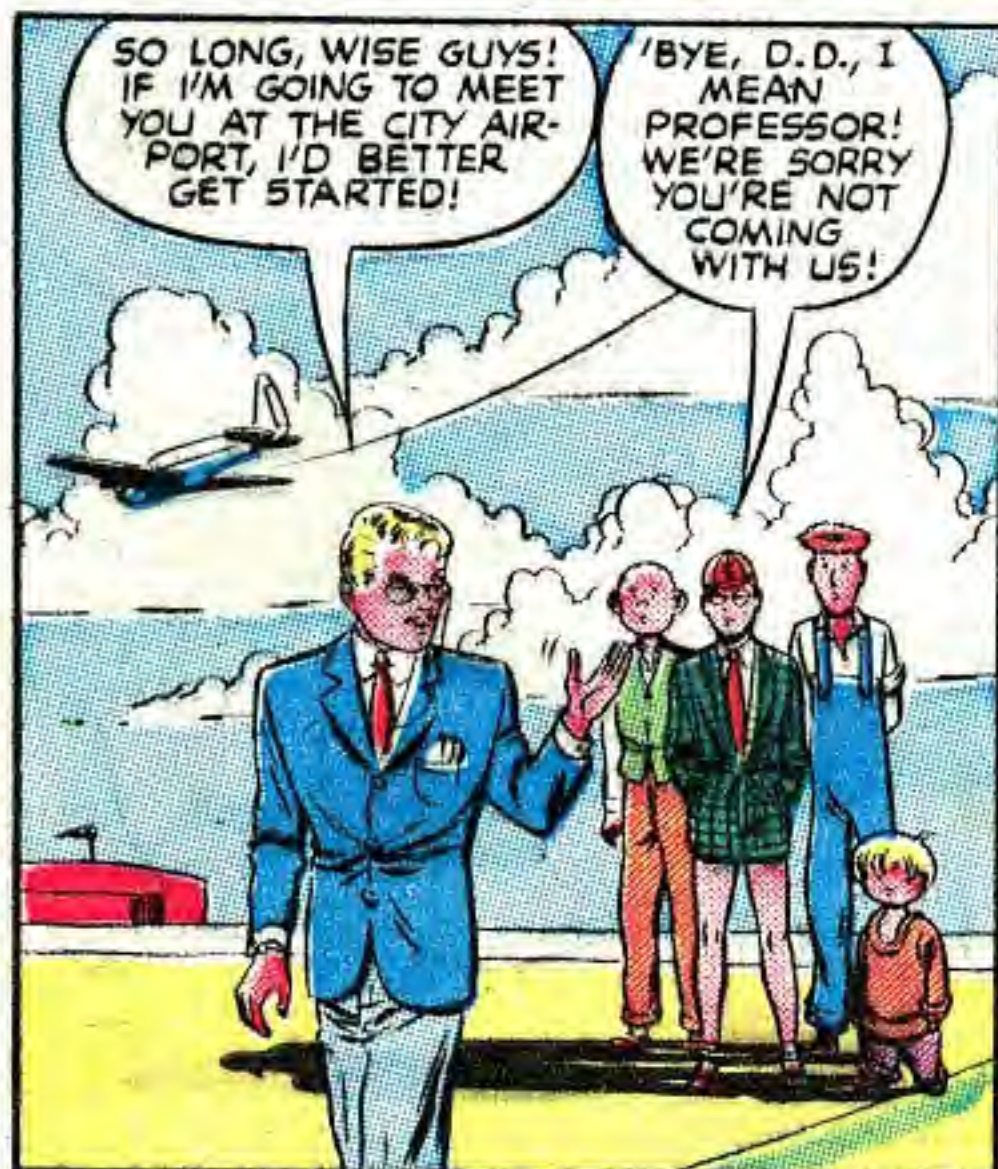
HOW ABOUT IT, KILROY?

NOTHING I'D LIKE BETTER! I'LL PICK YOU KIDS UP RIGHT AFTER MY CHECK RIDE!



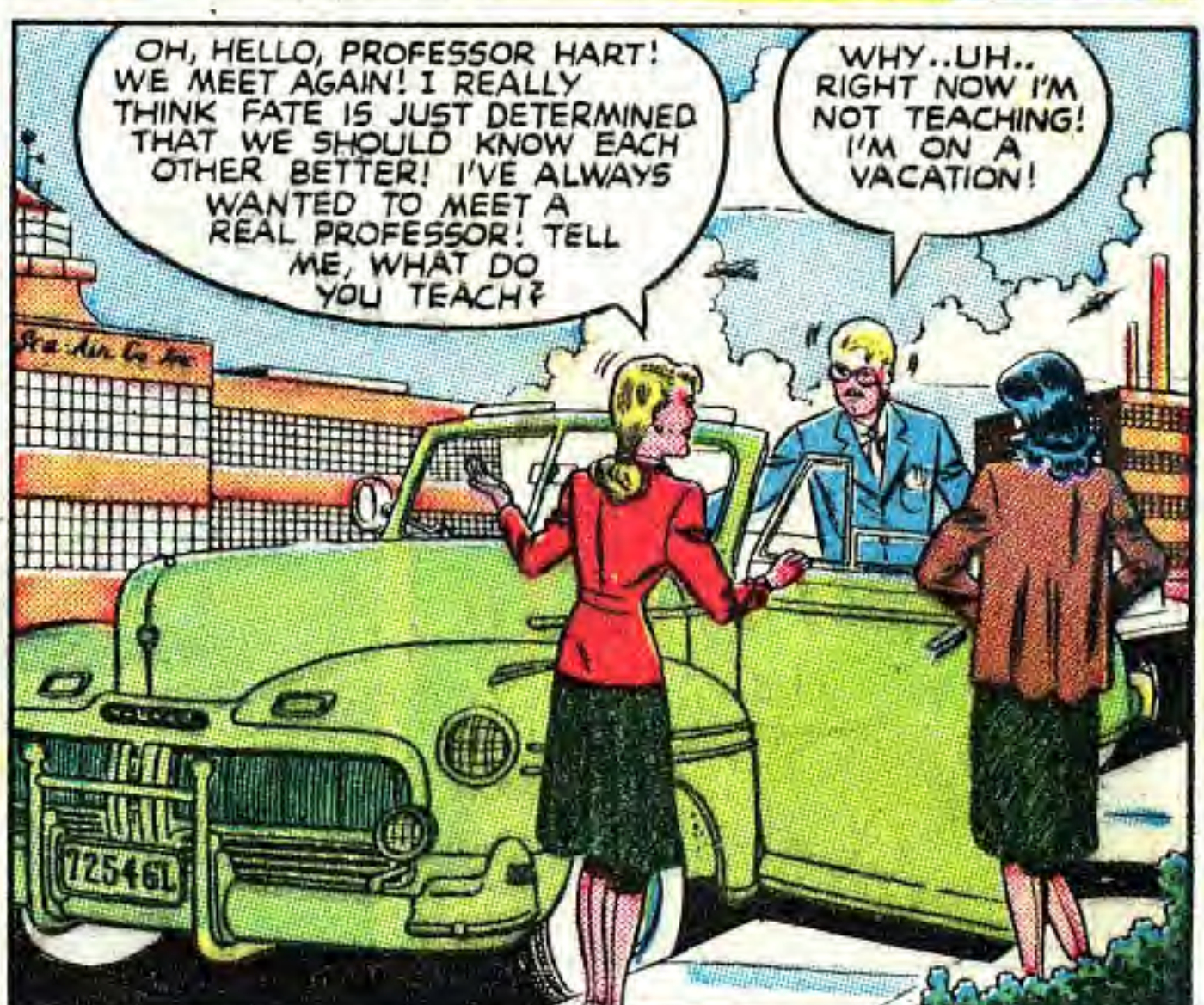
GOLLY! I NEVER THOUGHT KILROY KNEW SO MUCH ABOUT PLANES! HE NEVER TALKS ABOUT THEM!

PEOPLE WHO'VE REALLY GOT STUFF ON THE BALL GENERALLY DON'T THROW THEIR WEIGHT AROUND—LOOK AT THAT SEA AIR CLIMB!



SO LONG, WISE GUYS! IF I'M GOING TO MEET YOU AT THE CITY AIRPORT, I'D BETTER GET STARTED!

'BYE, D.D., I MEAN PROFESSOR! WE'RE SORRY YOU'RE NOT COMING WITH US!



OH, HELLO, PROFESSOR HART! WE MEET AGAIN! I REALLY THINK FATE IS JUST DETERMINED THAT WE SHOULD KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER! I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO MEET A REAL PROFESSOR! TELL ME, WHAT DO YOU TEACH?

WHY..UH.. RIGHT NOW I'M NOT TEACHING! I'M ON A VACATION!



THAT'S JUST DANDY! I HEAR YOU'RE A STRANGER IN THESE PARTS! MAYBE I COULD BE YOUR GUIDE! I KNOW SOME WONDERFUL PLACES TO DINE AND DANCE!

THAT'S VERY KIND OF YOU! BUT I...I'M RATHER BUSY RIGHT NOW! SOME OTHER TIME, PERHAPS!



ANY TIME YOU SAY! YOU CAN ALWAYS REACH ME HERE AT THE PLANT!

ISN'T HE CUTE, DOTTY? JUST MY TYPE! HE REALLY SENDS ME!



YOU JUST DON'T HAVE ANY IMAGINATION! HE'S REALLY QUITE HANDSOME! IF I TOOK HIM IN HAND, I'D MAKE HIM TAKE OFF THOSE THICK, OLD-FASHIONED GLASSES! THEN, I'D SHOVE HIM INTO SOME SNAPPY SPORT CLOTHES AND MAKE HIM SOMETHING TO LOOK AT!

WHY DON'T YOU SIGN OFF? IN THE FIRST PLACE, HE DOESN'T SEEM THE LEAST BIT INTERESTED IN YOU!





ALL SET, WISE GUYS? HOP ABOARD! CURLEY, JOCK AND PEE WEE IN THE BACK AND SCARECROW UP FRONT WITH ME LET'S GO!

YIPPEE!

GANGWAY! HERE WE COME!

OH, BOY, I'M GONNA BE THE CO-PILOT!



GEE, THIS IS SWELL! HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO GET TO THE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, KILROY?

ABOUT THIRTY MINUTES! I HOPE YOU'RE ALL PROPERLY STRAPPED IN! (YAWN) FUNNY... I FEEL SLEEPY!



WHAT'S THE MATTER? WERE YOU UP LATE LAST NIGHT?

NO! THAT'S THE ODD THING ABOUT IT! (YAWN) I HAD PLENTY OF SLEEP BUT MY EYE LIDS FEEL LIKE LEAD WEIGHTS!

HERE— EAT SOME CHOCOLATE! IT MAY PERK YOU UP!



PEE WEE, GET BACK INTO YOUR SAFETY BELT! (YAWN) MY EYES KEEP WANTING TO CLOSE! I CAN HARDLY KEEP 'EM OPEN!

MAYBE IT'S THE ALTITUDE OR SOME THING!

DON'T BE A DOPE, SCARECROW! KILROY'S FLOWN BEFORE AND WE'RE NOT UP HIGH!



HEY, KILROY! YOU CAN'T GO TO SLEEP ON US NOW! PLEASE.. SNAP OUT OF IT!

WAKE UP! FOR GOSH SAKES, KILROY, AT LEAST LAND THE PLANE SOMEWHERE!

HE'S OUT COLD! MAYBE IF WE STICK HIM WITH A PIN OR SOMETHING QUICK!

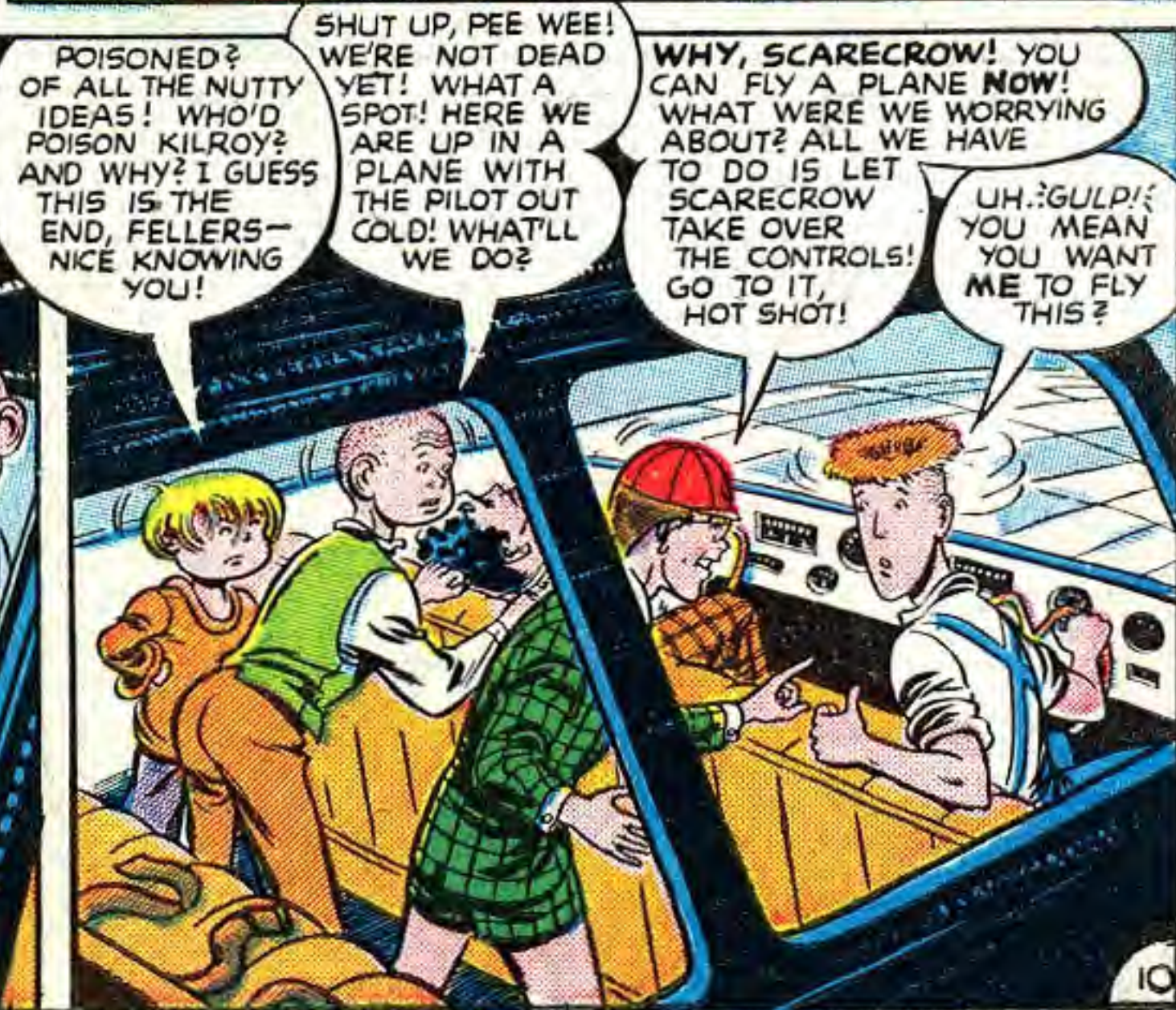
I HAVEN'T GOT A PIN, BUT I'VE GOT A SCOUT KNIFE!



LEGGO, YOU DOPE! I'M NOT GONNA CUT HIS THROAT! I'M JUST GOIN' TO GIVE HIM A LITTLE JAB!

MAYBE HE WAS POISONED! OPEN HIS SAFETY BELT AND GIVE HIM AIR!

COULD IT BE A HEART ATTACK?



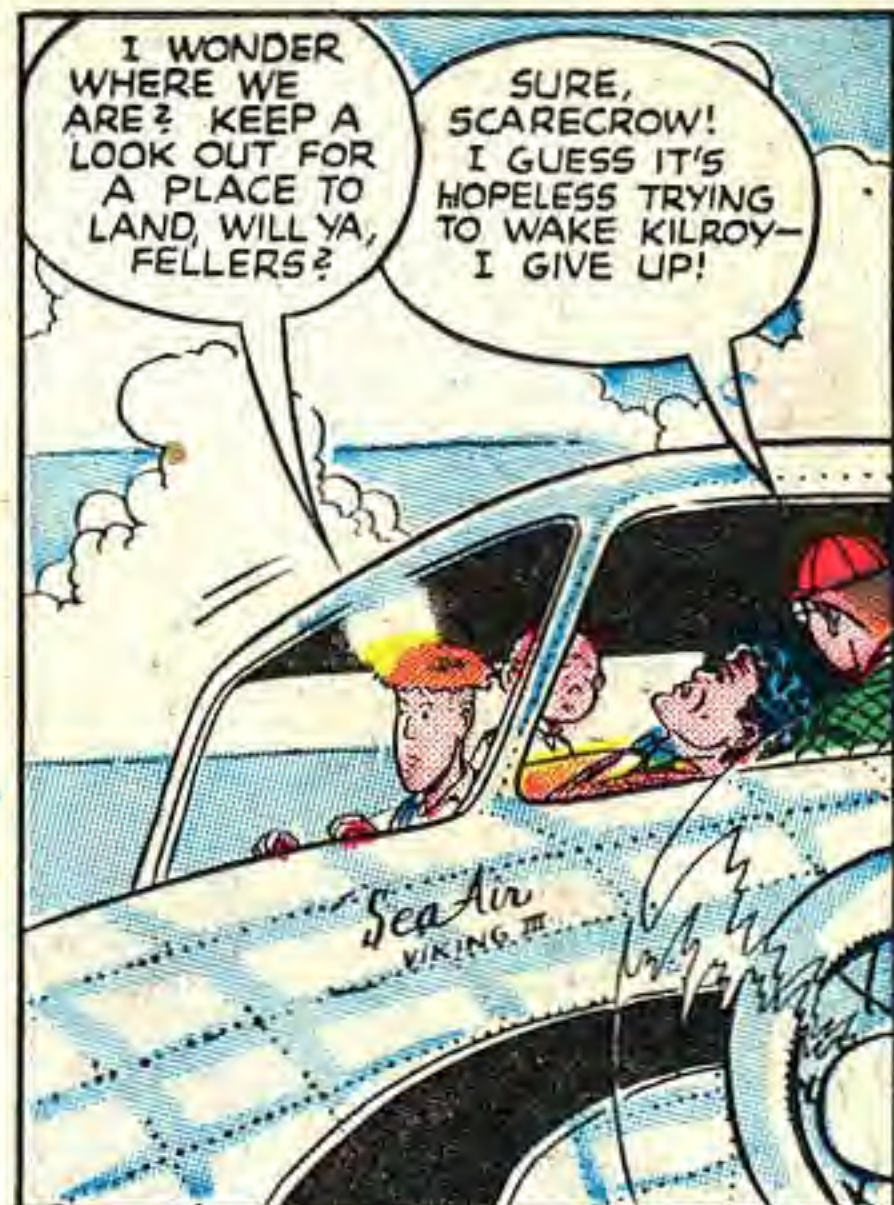
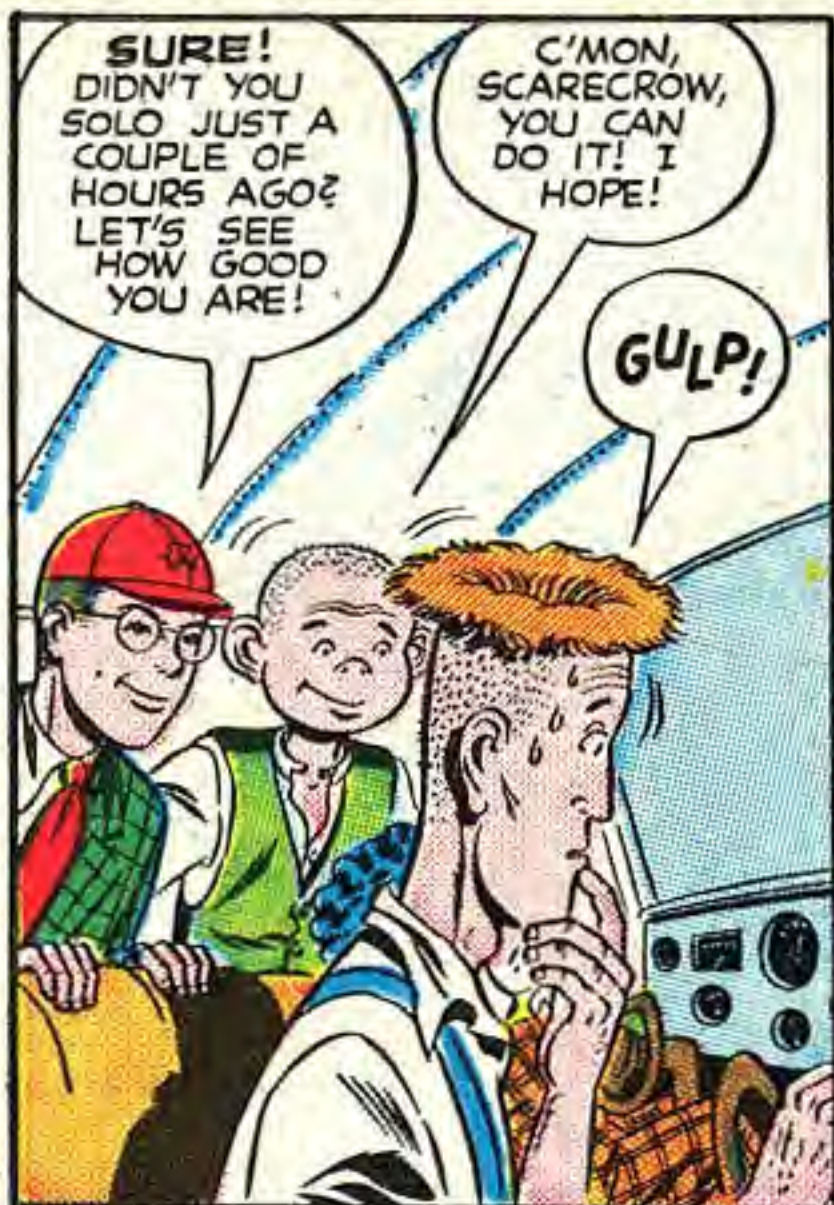
POISONED? OF ALL THE NUTTY IDEAS! WHO'D POISON KILROY? AND WHY? I GUESS THIS IS THE END, FELLERS— NICE KNOWING YOU!

SHUT UP, PEE WEE! WE'RE NOT DEAD YET! WHAT A SPOT! HERE WE ARE UP IN A PLANE WITH THE PILOT OUT COLD! WHAT'LL WE DO?

WHY, SCARECROW! YOU CAN FLY A PLANE NOW! WHAT WERE WE WORRYING ABOUT? ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS LET SCARECROW TAKE OVER THE CONTROLS! GO TO IT, HOT SHOT!

UH...GULP! YOU MEAN YOU WANT ME TO FLY THIS?









SOMETHING TELLS ME YOU'D BETTER STAY OUT OF THAT CLOUD, SCARECROW!

MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT- I'LL CLIMB OVER IT! LET'S SEE, NOW... I EASE BACK ON THE STICK, DON'T I?



LIKE THIS...



OOPS! FOR PETE'S SAKE, TAKE IT EASY! HEY, STRAIGHTEN OUT, WILL YA?

TURN AROUND, SCARECROW, I WANNA GO BACK TO PICK UP MY STOMACH!

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, GUYS! I'LL HAVE US OVER THESE CLOUDS IN A JIFFY!



HEY! WHAT HAPPENED?

WHAT HAPPENED, HE SAYS!...OOO... WE'RE IN A CLOUD, YOU BIG GOOF! NOW GET US OUT!



OUCH! HOLD IT STEADY! OW!

**BAM**

OW! MY HEAD! WHO KICKED ME?

**BIFF BOFF**

**CRACK**



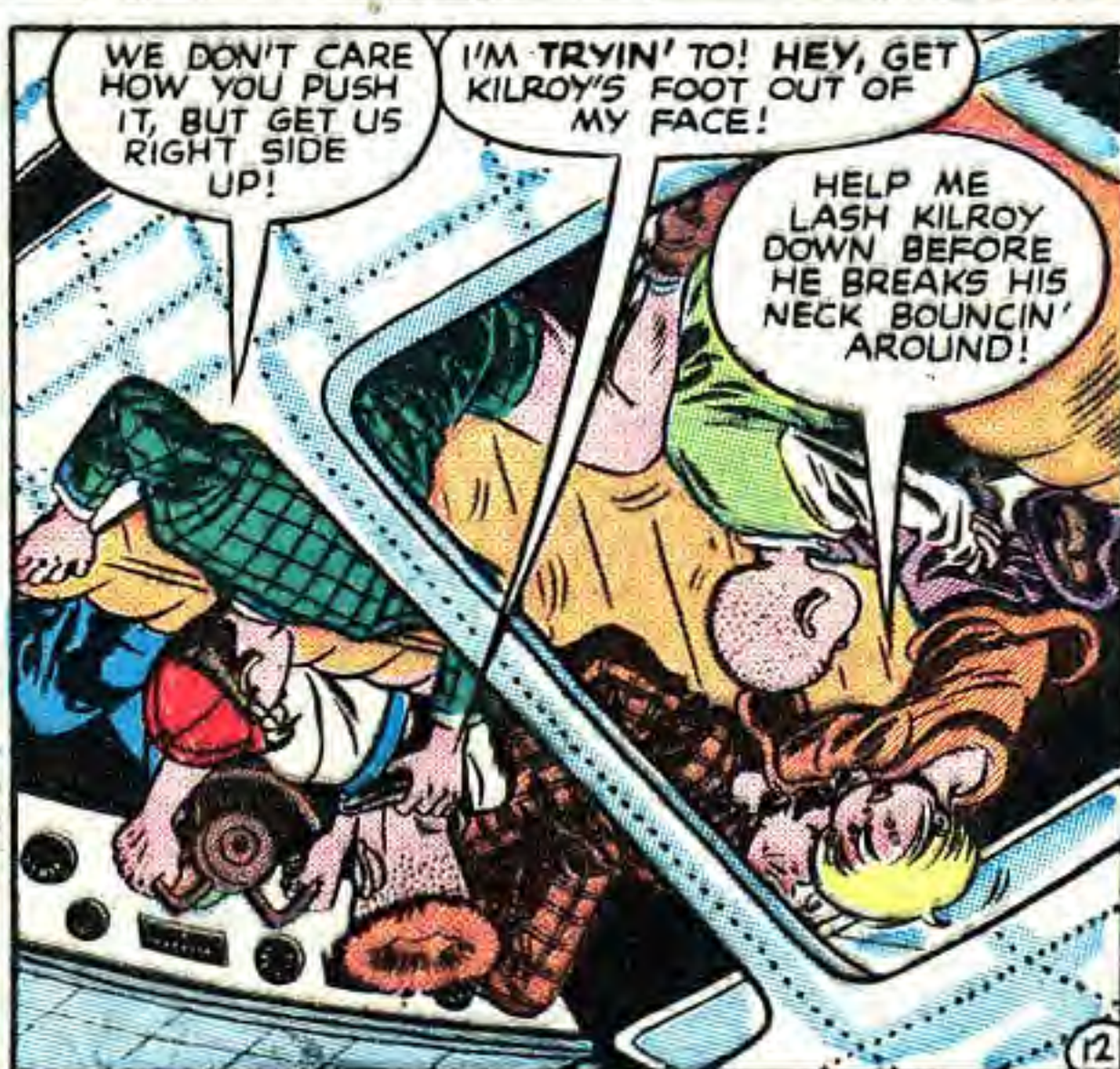
HEY! DON'T YOU KNOW WE'RE GETTIN' TOSSED AROUND! SOMETHIN' FIERCE BACK HERE! HOLD HER STEADY, YOU BIG GOOF!

I'M TRYIN' TO! I GUESS WE'RE RIGHT SIDE UP, NOW! I WONDER IF WE'RE GOIN' UP OR DOWN?



YEEOW! WE'RE OUT OF IT, BUT STRAIGHTEN US OUT! YOU'RE FLYING UPSIDE DOWN AGAIN!

WHAT DO YOU THINK I'M TRYIN' TO DO? NOW I'LL SEE WHAT HAPPENS IF I PUSH IT FORWARD!

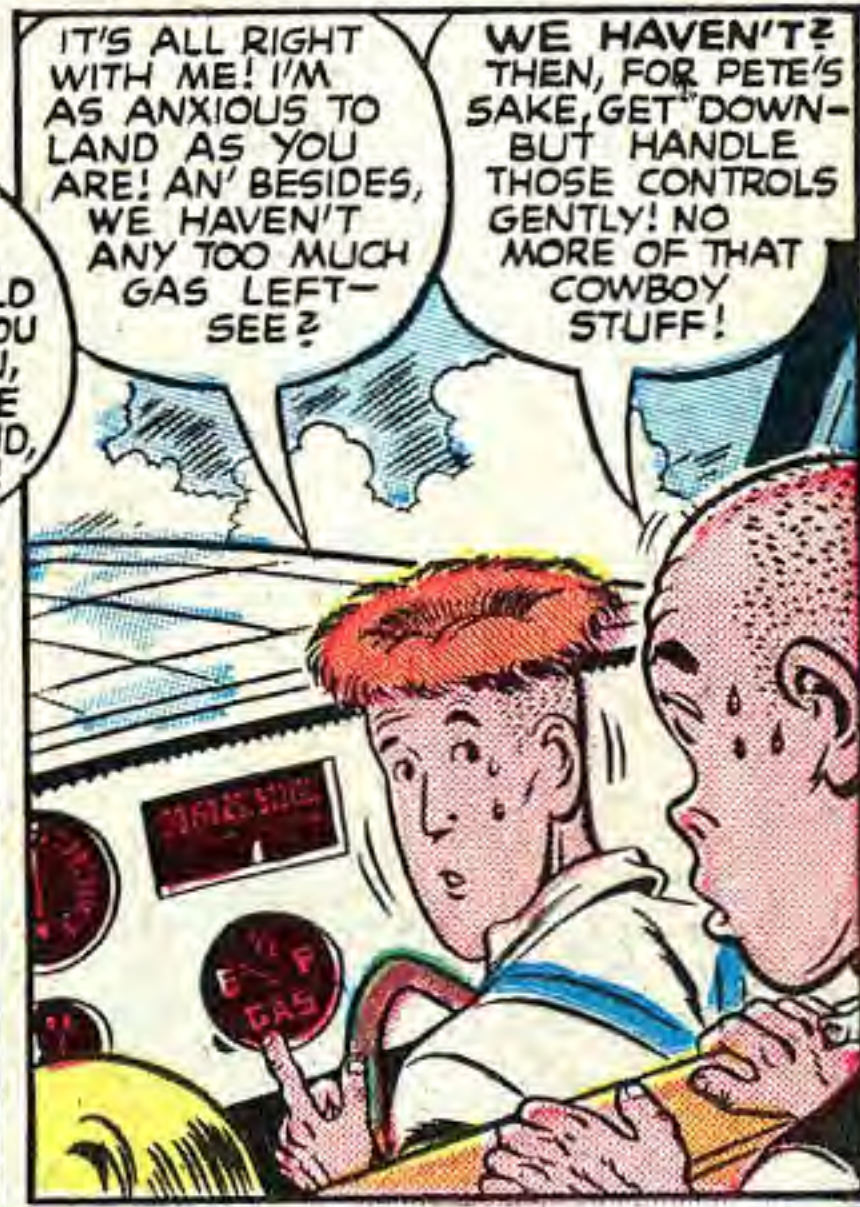


WE DON'T CARE HOW YOU PUSH IT, BUT GET US RIGHT SIDE UP!

I'M TRYIN' TO! HEY, GET KILROY'S FOOT OUT OF MY FACE!

HELP ME LASH KILROY DOWN BEFORE HE BREAKS HIS NECK BOUNCIN' AROUND!

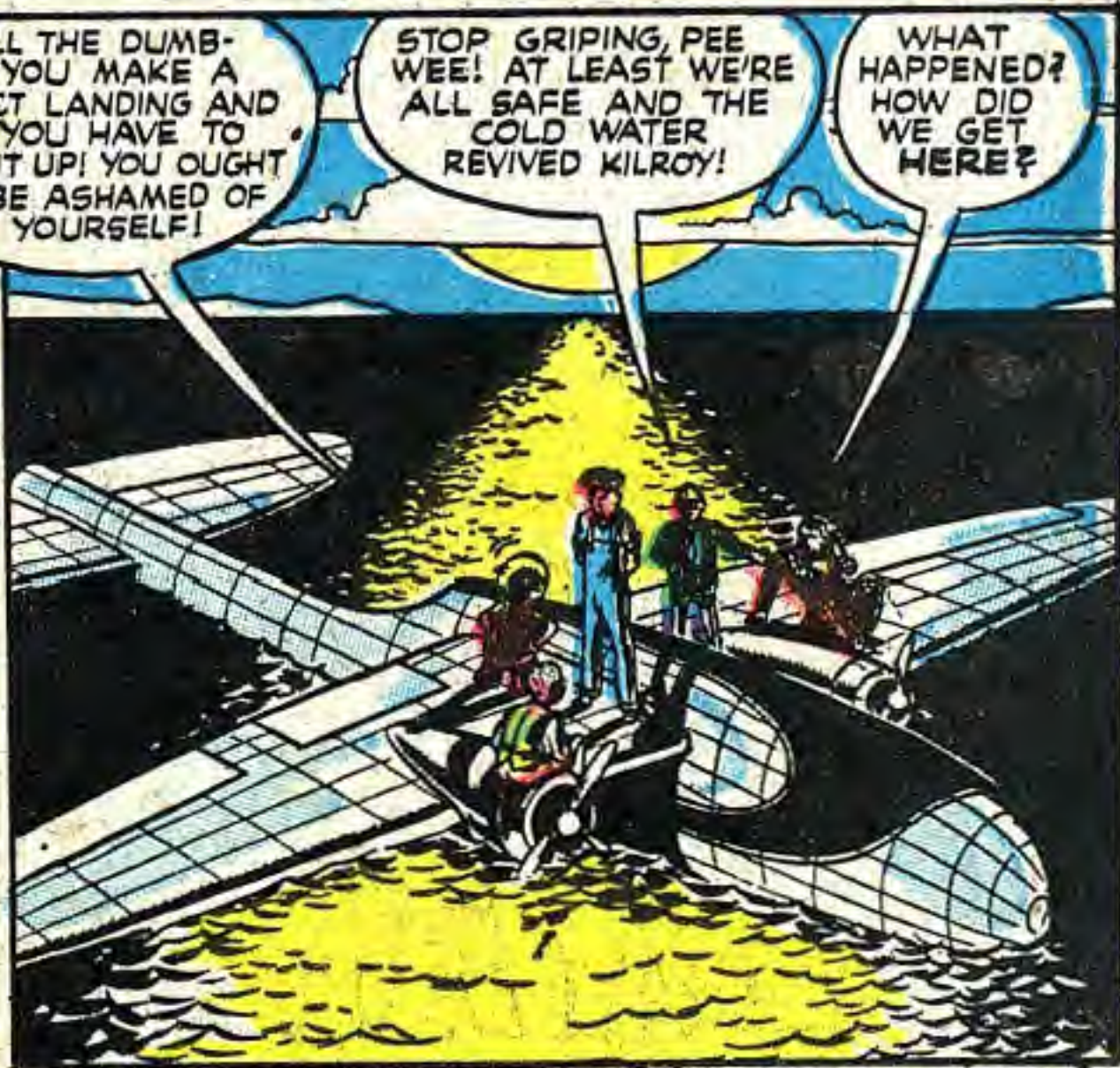
















THEY WERE PICKED UP BY THE COAST GUARD!...THEY'RE SAFE! THANK HEAVEN! WHAT HAPPENED? YOU SAY KILROY IS WITH YOU, NOW? PUT HIM ON! I'D RATHER FIND OUT DIRECTLY!

LET ME SPEAK TO HIM WHEN YOU'RE THROUGH!



NO...IT WAS MY FAULT... SOMETHING MADE ME PASS OUT COLD! IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR SCARECROW, WE'D ALL HAVE BEEN GONERS! I STILL FEEL A BIT GROGGY!

NO BACK TALK ON THIS, KILROY! YOU'VE GOT TO DO THIS! GO TO DR. STONE AT ONCE AND HAVE HIM CHECK YOUR BLOOD AND STOMACH FOR TRACES OF DRUGS! I'LL MEET YOU THERE!



YOU WERE RIGHT! DR. STONE FOUND POSITIVE TRACES OF SLEEPING POWDER IN MY SYSTEM!

COULD YOU TELL HOW LONG AGO HE MIGHT HAVE SWALLOWED IT?

NO MORE THAN FIVE HOURS AGO!



FIVE HOURS AGO! THAT'S JUST ABOUT THE TIME WE WERE IN THE CAFETERIA AT THE AIRPLANE FACTORY! WHAT DID YOU EAT?

A SANDWICH, PIE AND COFFEE! THE COFFEE WAS TERRIBLE, AS I REMEMBER!



SAY, YOU DON'T MEAN THAT SOMEONE DELIBERATELY PUT A MICKEY INTO MY COFFEE? WHO? AND WHY WOULD ANYONE WANT TO DO THAT FOR?

HOW SHOULD I KNOW? I DON'T SEE HOW ANYONE COULD HATE YOU THAT MUCH, AS DIZZY AS YOU ARE! C'MON, I'VE GOT AN ANGLE I WANT TO TELL YOU ABOUT!



SAY! WHAT'S THE IDEA OF BREAKING IN HERE WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT! WHO ARE YOU?

DAREDEVIL IS THE NAME! DON'T TOUCH THAT PHONE! I'M HERE TO HELP YOU!



KILROY IS A FRIEND OF MINE! I KNOW FOR CERTAIN THAT SOMEONE HERE AT YOUR PLANT SLIPPED HIM A DOSE OF SLEEPING TABLETS! WHOEVER DID, WANTED THAT SHIP TO CRASH! BUT FORTUNATELY THE SCHEME FAILED, THANKS TO SCARECROW AND THE WORTHINESS OF YOUR PLANE! I'M HERE TO FIND THE GUILTY PERSON!

IF YOU CAN PROVE THAT, I'LL BE INDEBTED TO YOU FOR LIFE!



I'M NOT TOO SURE I CAN, BUT I'M GOING TO TRY! I CAN ELIMINATE YOU AS A SUSPECT, BECAUSE, HAD THE PLAN SUCCEEDED, YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN RUINED FINANCIALLY BY THE BAD PUBLICITY! THAT'S OBVIOUS!

I MAY STILL BE WASHED UP, UNLESS WE CAN GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS MYSTERY! WHOM DO YOU SUSPECT?



THE ONLY ONE THAT HAD THE OPPORTUNITY WAS THE MAN WHO WAITED ON US IN THE CAFETERIA! COULD YOU LET ME SEE HIS PERSONNEL RECORD?

OF COURSE! I REMEMBER HIM! I'LL HAVE MY SECRETARY BRING IN HIS FOLDER!





HERE HE COMES NOW! REMEMBER TO ACT NATURAL! EVEN THOUGH HE HAS A CLEAN RECORD, I STILL SUSPECT HIM! IF I'M RIGHT, HE'LL TRAP HIMSELF!



IT'S A DEAL, DAREDEVIL! THE PLANE IS YOURS TO FLY OFF IN THIS AFTERNOON! OH, WAITER, WILL YOU PHONE HANGAR "A" AND TELL THEM TO GAS UP THAT NEW PLANE FOR DAREDEVIL!



AND YOU CAN BRING ME A GLASS OF MILK WHEN YOU COME BACK!

YES, SIR!



COME LOOK INTO THIS MIRROR! YOU'LL SEE HIM PLAIN AS DAY! HE JUST TOOK SOMETHING OUT OF HIS POCKET! NOW HE'S PUTTING IT INTO A GLASS—IT'S PILLS, ALL RIGHT! THAT'S OUR MAN!



THAT'S ALL, BROTHER! YOUR GREMLIN DAYS ARE OVER! SIT DOWN AND TELL US ALL ABOUT IT!

HOW DARE YOU! LET GO!



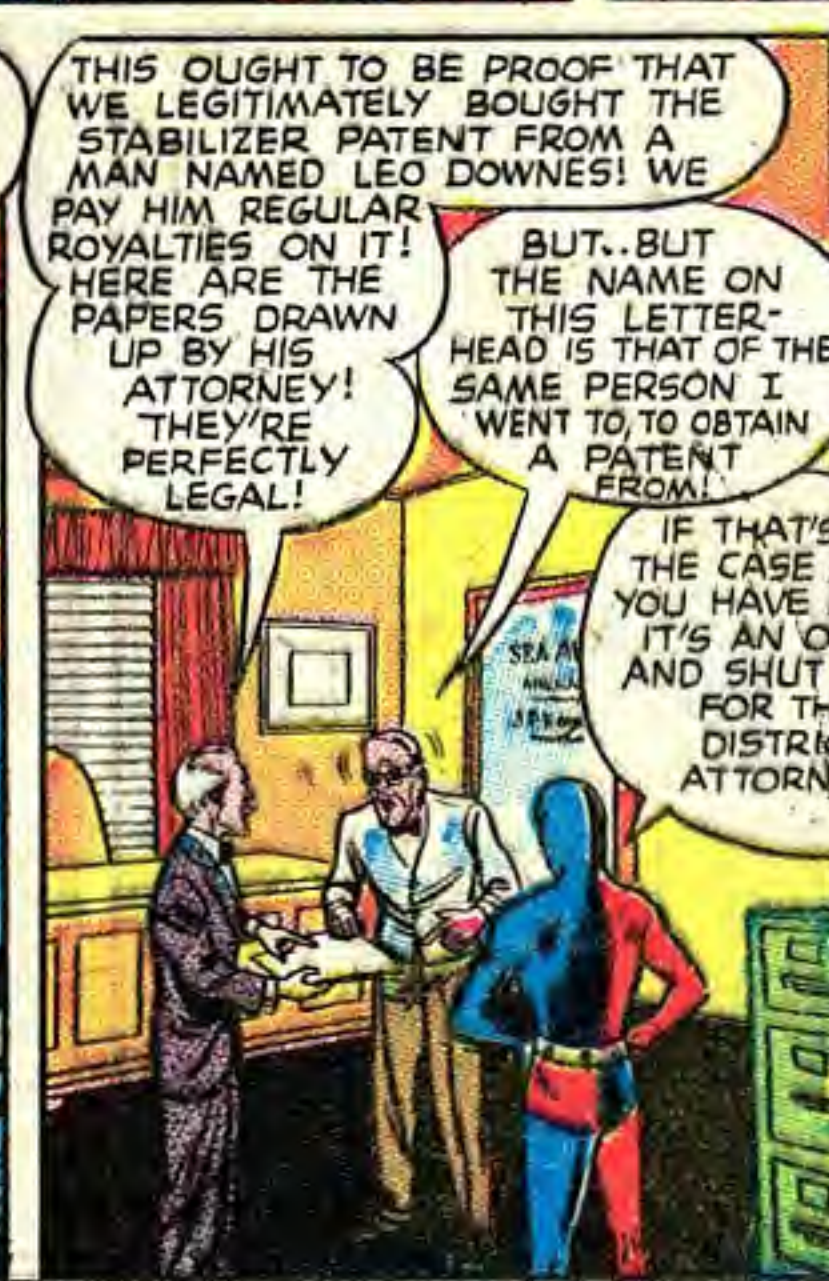
STOP! YOU'RE BREAKIN' MY NECK! OWWWW!!

MAYBE I WILL, UNLESS YOU START TALKING—AND FAST! WHY DID YOU PUT SLEEPING PILLS INTO MY GLASS JUST NOW? YOU DID THE SAME TO KILROY TWO DAYS AGO, DIDN'T YOU? ANSWER ME!



SURE! I'LL TELL YOU WHY—TO GET EVEN WITH THIS COMPANY FOR STEALING MY INVENTION! IT'S MY TWO CONTROL STABILIZER THAT MAKES THEIR PLANES SO SAFE! THEY STOLE IT FROM ME! I WANTED TO WRECK IT! I KNEW IF THE FIRST PLANES CRASHED, THEY'D BE RUINED!

YOU BLIND, STUPID OLD FOOL! WHAT ABOUT THE INNOCENT VICTIMS YOU MIGHT HAVE KILLED?



THIS OUGHT TO BE PROOF THAT WE LEGITIMATELY BOUGHT THE STABILIZER PATENT FROM A MAN NAMED LEO DOWNES! WE PAY HIM REGULAR ROYALTIES ON IT! HERE ARE THE PAPERS DRAWN UP BY HIS ATTORNEY! THEY'RE PERFECTLY LEGAL!

BUT...BUT THE NAME ON THIS LETTER-HEAD IS THAT OF THE SAME PERSON I WENT TO, TO OBTAIN A PATENT FROM!

IF THAT'S THE CASE AND YOU HAVE PROOF, IT'S AN OPEN AND SHUT CASE FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY!



I'M ALMOST CERTAIN THAT YOU'LL BE ABLE TO REGAIN THE RIGHTS TO YOUR INVENTION AND COLLECT ANY BACK ROYALTIES! HOWEVER, DON'T FORGET THAT YOU MUST STILL STAND TRIAL FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER! IT SHOULD SERVE AS A LESSON THAT YOU CAN'T TAKE THE LAW INTO YOUR OWN HANDS!

THANK HEAVENS, I FAILED! I'VE BEEN AN OLD FOOL! IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO BE SORRY! I'M READY TO PAY THE PENALTY!

SEA AIR AIRCRAFT COMPANY  
J.P. Kenyon  
PRESIDENT





ORDER IN THE COURT! THE FIRST CASE ON THE CALENDAR: GILBERT VERSUS HAINES!



ISN'T IT TRUE THAT YOU STOLE MR. GILBERT'S INVENTION AND PATENTED IT IN THE NAME OF YOUR SON-IN-LAW, LEO DOWNES?

I...ERR... THAT IS, YES, I CHANGE MY PLEA TO GUILTY!



HAINES AND DOWNES, I HEREBY SENTENCE YOU BOTH TO EIGHT YEARS IN THE STATE PENITENTIARY AND SHALL RECOMMEND THAT YOU, HAINES, BE PERMANENTLY BARRED FROM FURTHER PRACTICE AS A PATENT ATTORNEY!



SECOND CASE ON THE CALENDAR! THE STATE VERSES GEORGE GILBERT, ON CHARGES OF ATTEMPTED MANSLAUGHTER!



...AND IN VIEW OF THE EVIDENCE, THE COURT FINDS YOU, GEORGE GILBERT, GUILTY OF ATTEMPTED MANSLAUGHTER AND SENTENCES YOU TO FIVE YEARS' IMPRISONMENT! YOU MAY BE THANKFUL THAT YOUR PLAN FAILED! OTHERWISE, YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN ON TRIAL FOR MURDER!



IT'S TOO BAD YOU HAD TO LEARN YOUR LESSON THE HARD WAY!

I GUESS I HAD IT COMING! IT WILL BE HARD, BUT I CAN STILL WORK ON SOME INVENTIONS, AND THANKS TO YOU, I'LL HAVE MONEY WHEN I GET OUT!



"ENCLOSED IS CHECK FOR THE PLANE THAT TURNED OVER IN THE BAY! THERE IS A NEW PLANE AT THE PLANT WAITING FOR YOU, WHICH THE SEA-AIR COMPANY WISHES TO GIVE YOU IN GRATITUDE FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE TO PRESENT THE TRUE FACTS ABOUT YOUR ACCIDENT! SINCERELY, J.P. KENYON!" HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT! BOY, OH, BOY!



I'LL TELL YOU WHAT, SCARECROW! AS SOON AS I GET THAT NEW PLANE, I'LL TAKE YOU UP AND GIVE YOU SOME MORE DUAL INSTRUCTION! I THINK YOU HAVE THE MAKINGS OF A REAL FLYER IN YOU!

OH, GOSH! WAIT TILL I TELL THE GUYS!



**FINAL** DAREDEVIL PRESS **SPORTS FINAL**  
**DAREDEVIL ALIVE!**  
RETURNS TO AID IN CAPTURE OF CROOKED PATENT ATTORNEY  
SOLVES PLANE CRASH MYSTERY

He explained his pretended death in a brief statement: "I found it expedient!"



WHEN INTERVIEWED, DAREDEVIL SAID: "I FEEL IT IS MY DUTY TO RESUME THE ROLE OF DAREDEVIL AND TO PUBLICLY FIGHT AGAINST ALL TYPES OF LAWLESSNESS!"

**THE END**



# famous **ECCENTRICS**



**IVAN THE IV**, KNOWN AS "IVAN THE TERRIBLE," POSSESSED SUCH A STRONG STREAK OF CRUELTY THAT IT AMOUNTED TO MADNESS! HE LOVED WHOLESAL MURDER AND ONCE ORDERED THE COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF THE CITY OF NOVGOROD AND THE SLAUGHTER OF ITS INHABITANTS, TO PROVE HIS POWER. HE FREQUENTLY TORTURED PEOPLE BY ROLLING THEM INTO BEARSKINS TO BE ATTACKED BY SAVAGE BEARS, WHICH TORE SKIN AND MAN TO PIECES. IVAN KILLED HIS OWN SON, IVAN II, BY A BLOW GIVEN IN A FIT OF FURY!



**WILLIAM P. DEVON**, OF CINCINNATI, OHIO, WAS PROBABLY THE WORLD'S RICHEST BEGGAR! ALTHOUGH HE HAD ALMOST \$20,000,000, IN CASH AND REAL ESTATE, HE DRESSED LIKE A BEGGAR AND LIVED IN THE REAR ROOM OF HIS WORST COLD WATER FLAT!



**MADAME DE MAINTENON**, WIFE OF LOUIS XIV OF FRANCE, PRIDED HERSELF ON BEING THE PERFECT SOPHISTICATE. SHE HAD HERSELF BLED REGULARLY TWICE A WEEK, SO THAT SHE WOULDN'T BLUSH AT THE STORIES TOLD AT COURT!



**SIMON OF THE PILLAR** WAS A SYRIAN ASCETIC WHO WAS THE FOREFATHER OF ALL THE FLAG-POLE SITTERS IN THE WORLD! HE SAT ON TOP OF A GRANITE COLUMN IN ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT, FOR 69 YEARS, WITHOUT COMING DOWN! HE WENT ALOFT WHEN HE WAS A BOY AND REMAINED ON A SPACE THREE FEET IN DIAMETER UNTIL HE DIED AND WAS CARRIED DOWN! HE WAS FED BY MEANS OF A ROPE.



THE WORD "SADISM", MEANING TO GET PLEASURE OUT OF ADMINISTERING PAIN, IS NAMED AFTER A CRUEL BRUTE, THE MARQUIS DE SADE, WHO LIVED IN FRANCE IN THE LATE NINETEENTH CENTURY. SADE, WHO WAS ONE OF THE HANDSOMEST MEN OF HIS DAY, WAS ALSO AN ECCENTRIC. HE'D TORTURE AND KILL PEOPLE FOR THE ENJOYMENT HE GOT FROM SEEING THEM SCREAM AND WRITHE. HE DIED IN A LUNATIC ASYLUM IN 1814.



THIS IS YOUR PAGE

# WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

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Dear Reader:

In every issue of DAREDEVIL COMICS this page is devoted to your opinion, ideas, and suggestions. Since the conception of DAREDEVIL COMICS we have been guided by two ideals—first, the eradication of crime, and second, to give credit to the fearless detectives and officers of the law, who daily risk their lives that you and we may live in a more lawful society.

CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

Dear Mr. Biro:

I am an amateur artist and hope someday to become a cartoonist like you. I think you are a valuable artist and an asset to the children of America for your good drawings and stories. In this age and time I think we need more and more comics like yours to help blot out the thoughts of crime that sometimes accumulate in young children's minds and I know you are doing your best, through your comics, to make this a better world in which to live. Mr. Biro, I think that you should publish your picture full size on one of your pages in Daredevil Comics, because I, myself and thousands more like me in America would like to have a picture of you in tribute for your help in stamping out Crime in America. I think you should do this as a special favor to me and thousands of other American citizens.

Your faithful reader always,  
Riley Bates, 696 Farley Avenue  
Spartanburg, South Carolina

*It's letters like yours that keep Charlie's work inspired.—BOB WOOD*

I want to compliment Charles Biro on his most beautiful covers and true to life stories. I can locate them so easily, wherever they are. When I first started to get them, I was a very poor reader. Mother didn't want me to have them, but when I brought my reading up to an A, she realized that Daredevil Comics had helped improve it. So now she buys me Daredevil Comics as often as she sees them.

Yours truly, V. Harp  
Route 1, Bagwell, Texas

*Your writing grade is also A.*

In the first story of the July issue, Biro depicted an ex-convict who couldn't get a job. I think the person who'd turn down an ex-convict, who has paid for his crime, is not standing up to American standards. He's made his mistake and he's

paid the piper. We want him to go straight. Let's give him another chance.

Sincerely yours, James Grigsom  
98 Bowie Courts, Texarkana, Texas

*To err is human, to forgive, divine.*

Our history teacher was giving us a lesson on the Bill of Rights. I brought several Daredevil books to her and she agreed that every one of Mr. Biro's stories illustrated a point of democracy.

Yours truly, Joe Bloom  
902 East Houston, Marshall, Texas

*And that's how it stays. C.B.*

You are to be congratulated on the type of material used in your comic book, Daredevil.

My chief objection to comic books in general,—and I think that of many parents—is that they are so sensational that they will dull the children's taste for other literature.

It is encouraging, therefore, to find a comic magazine which has story value and high aims, and which does not specialize in werewolves, inhuman fiends, green-faced monsters, scantily clad panther women, and the like.

May your efforts bring about a general raising of standards. Good luck!

Sincerely, Mrs. Ruth P. Cramer

65C Dana Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts

*We have a talent and a purpose, the two necessary ingredients. The fact that we have achieved that purpose is attested to by your letter. Thanks.*

Daredevil has given me a better slant on how I should be. It taught me sportsmanship. So I hope it gives more children the same idea.

Yours truly, Wilbert Natz  
34387 Potomac, St. Louis, Missouri

*It will give many others a better outlook.*

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# DAREDEVIL

and the **LITTLE WISE GUYS**

**O**NE DOESN'T HAVE TO BE A PSYCHIATRIST TO OBSERVE HOW SHOCKING A NUMBER OF PEOPLE HAVE A DISTORTED SENSE OF VALUES, OR NONE AT ALL! AND THAT APPLIES TO MILLIONAIRES, AS WELL AS PAUPERS! THE SHORT-SIGHTED MILLIONAIRE WILL GLOAT OVER HIS FAVORED POSITION IN LIFE! NOT FOR A MOMENT WILL HE REALIZE THAT HE CAN RIDE IN ONLY ONE CAR AT A TIME, SLEEP IN ONLY ONE BED EACH NIGHT, AND IF HE EATS MORE THAN THREE AVERAGE MEALS A DAY, HE'LL GET A BELLY-ACHE! WHEREIN SOME PAUPER MAY FAIL TO REALIZE THAT TRUE WEALTH IS NOT IN MATERIAL POSSESSIONS, BUT IN A HEALTHY BODY AND A CLEAN, VIGOROUS MIND! THE IMAGINATIVE THRILLING CAN LIVE A THOUSAND TIMES TO ONE OF THE DULL MILLIONAIRE'S! HE WILL ALSO KNOW THAT HIS PORTION OF THE WEALTH OF THIS NATION IS HIS TO ENJOY—ITS MILLIONS OF ACRES OF PARKS, ITS THOUSANDS OF MILES OF BEACHES, ITS LIBRARIES, MUSEUMS, ITS PLACES OF LEARNING, AND MOST OF ALL—ITS FREEDOM OF THOUGHT, SPEECH AND OF MOVEMENT! THERE IS NO PRICE ON EARTH THAT COULD BUY IT FROM HIM. THE CHARACTERS I PORTRAY IN THIS STORY ARE NEITHER PAUPERS NOR MILLIONAIRES, BUT THEIR MISERY IS BROUGHT ABOUT BY THEIR DISTORTED SENSE OF VALUES!

*Charles Biro*

DON'T LET THAT BIG BUM BULLDOZE YOU, JOCK!

WHY DON'T YOU START SOMETHING WITH SOME BODY YOUR OWN SIZE?

LET ME HANDLE HIM, JOCK! I'LL BRING HIM DOWN TO MY SIZE!

I'M GONNA MASH YOUR PRETTY MUG INTO LITTLE PIECES!

ANY TIME YOU'RE READY!

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IT'S ELEVEN P.M.!! WHEN ARE YOU WISE GUYS GOING TO HIT THE SACK?

I'M READY, BUT WHERE'S SCARECROW? DID HE SAY ANYTHING TO YOU GUYS?

HE'S GOT A DATE WITH SOME GAL! HE TOLD ME TO KEEP IT A DARK SECRET, BUT DON'T ASK ME WHY! COME TO THINK OF IT, HE DID SAY SHE WAS EXTRA SPECIAL!

THANKS FOR THE SWELL TIME, SCARECROW, BUT AREN'T YOU GOING TO KISS ME GOODNIGHT? WHY, YOU'RE BLUSHING!

M...ME..K..KISS Y..YOU GOOD-NIGHT? GULP! I...I..UH... GOSH, MILLIE, YOU MUST BE KIDDING!

RELAX, SCARECROW! FORGET IT! I'M NOT GOING TO MAKE YOU KISS ME! BUT YOU WILL TAKE ME TO THE BLOCK PARTY PICNIC ON SATURDAY, THOUGH, WON'T YOU?

S..SURE, THAT IS, IF I CAN BRING MY FRIENDS ALONG, TOO! I WON'T GO UNLESS THEY CAN COME! IS THAT OKAY?

HEY, GUYS, I'VE GOT A DATE TO GO ON A SWELL PICNIC, AN' YOU'RE INVITED, TOO! IT'S THE DREW STREET BLOCK PARTY PICNIC! A BUS RIDE TO THE COUNTRY...GAMES, FREE SODA POPS AN' EVERYTHIN'!

WILL YOU PLEASE SLOW DOWN? NOW CATCH YOUR BREATH, AN' START ALL OVER! WHEN IS IT?





OH, BOY, OH, BOY! ARE WE GONNA HAVE FUN!

THANKS, CURLY, BUT I'M ALL TIED UP! DON'T FORGET, IF THERE ARE ANY RACES OR BALL GAMES, I'LL EXPECT YOU BOYS TO COP ALL THE PRIZES!

GEE, I WISH YOU COULD COME, D.D.! IT SOUNDS LIKE A GOOD DEAL!

HEY, JOCK, WHERE ARE THE HARD-BOILED EGGS?



ALL ABOARD FOR THE DREW STREET PICNIC!

YIPPEE! HERE WE GO!

THERE'S LOTS OF ROOM! DON'T SHOVE!



WHOA, THERE! YOU CAN'T GET ABOARD WITH THAT BIG BASKET! ANYWAY, PEDDLERS AREN'T ALLOWED!

AW, PLEASE, MISTER, I'VE BEEN UP SINCE FIVE THIS MORNING PREPARING THIS STUFF! I'LL ONLY TAKE UP ONE SEAT! I'LL HOLD IT ON MY LAP! IF PEOPLE WANT TO BUY MY STUFF, IT'S NO HAIR OFF YOUR HEAD!



YOU UNDERSTAND ENGLISH! THERE'S NOT ENOUGH ROOM FOR THE BASKET!

HOW ABOUT THIS, MISTER? SUPPOSING MY FRIENDS AND I EACH CARRY SOME OF IT? IN THAT WAY IT WOULD BE EVENLY DIVIDED!

GOSH! THAT WOULD BE SWELL! HOW ABOUT IT, DRIVER?



OKAY! ONLY STEP ON IT! I AIN'T GOT ALL DAY!

GEE, THAT WAS A SWELL IDEA! THANKS, WISE GUYS! IT'S NICE OF YOU TO HELP ME OUT!



IS THIS YOUR FRIEND, SCARECROW?

YEP! AIN'T SHE A HONEY? HERE I AM, MILLIE! LOOK, I SAVED YOU A SEAT!



AREN'T YOU ONE OF SCARECROW'S FRIENDS? YOU DON'T MIND IF I SIT WITH YOU, DO YOU?

GEE, WHIZ, AN' AFTER I SAVED HER A SEAT, TOO! MAYBE SHE'S SORE ABOUT SOMETHING!

WHY, ER... YES, I MEAN NO, THAT IS, HELP YOURSELF!



OUT OF THE SEAT, RICKY! THERE'S LOTS A' STANDIN' ROOM FOR LITTLE GUYS LIKE YOU IN THE AISLE!

CUT IT OUT, DAZZY! TAKE YOUR BIG MITTS OFF ME! FIND YOUR OWN SEAT!

NAH! THAT'S JUST WOMEN FOR YOU! NEVER MIND, I'LL SIT WITH YOU, SCARECROW!



YOU BIG BULLY! SOME DAY YOU'RE GOING TO PICK ON THE WRONG GUY! YOU'RE A LOT OLDER THAN I AM, BUT JUST WAIT TILL I'M YOUR AGE!

YEAH, THAT'LL BE THE DAY, AND WHAT WILL YOU DO—RECITE POETRY TO ME? HA, HA, HA!





WE'VE GOTTEN SIX STRAIGHT HITS WITH NO OUTS! WE CAN STAY UP AT BAT ALL AFTERNOON AT THIS RATE!

YEAH, BUT THEY'RE ALL SINGLES AND DOUBLES! I'D LIKE TO CONNECT WITH ONE FOR A FOUR-BAGGER!

WAIT 'EM OUT, JOCK, OL' KID!

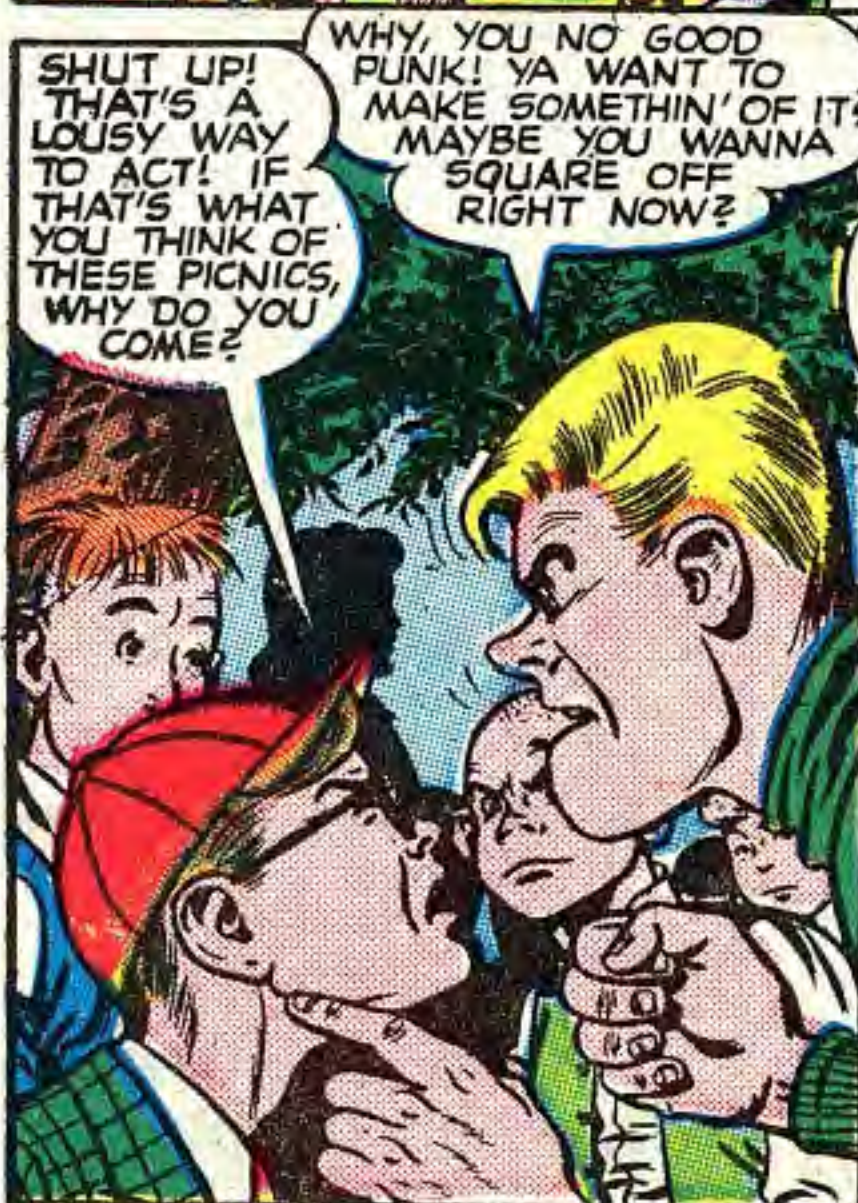


THE COMMUNITY CLUB IS HAPPY TO WELCOME YOU ON THIS TENTH ANNUAL PICNIC! WE'RE PROUD OF THE RECORD OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF DREW STREET, DESPITE THE RISE IN JUVENILE DELINQUENCY THROUGHOUT THE CITY...



...DREW STREET HAS A CLEAN SLATE! WE OF THE COMMUNITY CLUB LIKE TO THINK IT IS BECAUSE OF THESE PICNICS AND OTHER OF OUR CLUB ACTIVITIES...

PHRRRT!



SHUT UP! THAT'S A LOUSY WAY TO ACT! IF THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK OF THESE PICNICS, WHY DO YOU COME?

WHY, YOU NO GOOD PUNK! YA WANT TO MAKE SOMETHIN' OF IT? MAYBE YOU WANNA SQUARE OFF RIGHT NOW?



THAT'S OKAY WITH ME, BUT NOT RIGHT NOW! AFTER THE SPEECHES ARE OVER, I'LL BE GLAD TO GIVE YOU A LESSON IN MANNERS!

WHY, YOU FOUR-EYED WEASEL, I'LL MAKE HAMBURGER OUT OF YOUR PRETTY MUG, AN' YA BETTER NOT TRY AN' BACK DOWN! NO ONE GETS AWAY WITH TALKIN' BACK TO ME, NO ONE!

HOLY CATS!



JUMPIN' JOE! YOU DON'T REALLY MEAN YOU'RE GOIN' TO FIGHT THAT GUY! HE'S NEARLY TWICE YOUR SIZE, AN' FROM WHAT I HEAR, HE FIGHTS DIRTY!

I'M NOT WORRYING! SOMEBODY'S GOT TO TELL A GUY LIKE THAT OFF! IT MIGHT AS WELL BE ME!

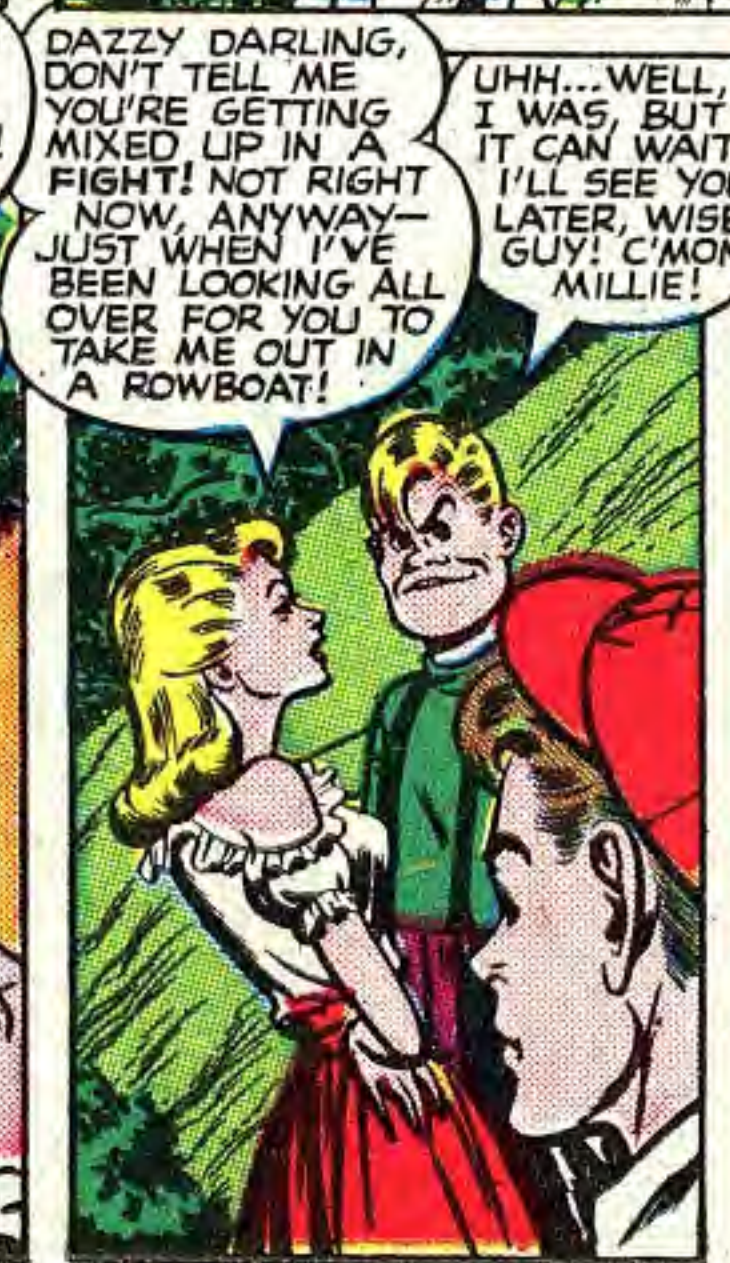
OOPS! HERE HE COMES!



UP WITH YOUR DUKES, PANTYWAIST! NO ONE TELLS DAZZY OFF! C'MON, FRESH GUY, YOU'LL WISH YOU'D KEPT YOUR BIG TRAP SHUT!

I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOU! I'M READY WHEN-EVER YOU ARE! QUIT TALKING AND...

DAZZY!



DAZZY DARLING, DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE GETTING MIXED UP IN A FIGHT! NOT RIGHT NOW, ANYWAY—JUST WHEN I'VE BEEN LOOKING ALL OVER FOR YOU TO TAKE ME OUT IN A ROWBOAT!

UHH...WELL, I WAS, BUT I CAN WAIT! I'LL SEE YOU LATER, WISE GUY! C'MON, MILLIE!



IS SHE EVER A SMOOTH OPERATOR! WHAT A GIRL FRIEND YOU HAVE THERE, SCARE-CROW!

DON'T CALL HER MY GIRL FRIEND! SHE'S TOO FAST FOR ME! I THOUGHT SHE LIKED ME, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE SHE LIKES JUST ABOUT ANYONE WITH PANTS ON!





HOW'S ABOUT A LITTLE KISS, MILLIE?

DON'T BE CRAZY, DAZZY! NOT HERE IN BROAD DAY-LIGHT, WITH ALL THESE PEOPLE AROUND!



AW, WHO CARES? C'MON, QUIT ACTIN' COY!

YOU KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF ME! LOOK OUT, YOU'RE ROCKING THE BOAT!



HELP!!

**SPLASH!**



YOU CLUMSY DOPE! I COULD KILL YOU!

DON'T GET EXCITED! I'LL SAVE YOU!



PUT ME DOWN, YOU GREAT BIG SAP! I WAS STANDING ON THE BOTTOM! OOOOO!!

HERO! HERO!

YEA, DAZZY!



HA, HA, HA! LOOK AT DAZZY, THE HERO!

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DARING RESCUE IN FOUR FEET OF WATER! HA, HA!



YOU BIG GOON! WILL YOU PLEASE DROP DEAD! YOU MADE ME LOSE ALL MY SANDWICHES AND MY PURSE WITH MY MONEY, COMB AND COMPACT! I HATE YOU!

AW, MILLIE, I'M SORRY! I DIDN'T MEAN TO...



MMM... GOLLY, BUT I'M HUNGRY! I SIMPLY HAVE TO EAT, AND RICKY HAS SANDWICHES!

OH, RICKY, I HAVE A WONDERFUL IDEA! WHY NOT LET ME HELP SELL YOUR SANDWICHES? I'LL BET I CAN SELL 'EM ALL FOR YOU LIKE A FLASH!

GEE, MOLLY, WOULD YOU, REALLY?



STEP RIGHT UP, FOLKS! DELICIOUS SANDWICHES! THE ONLY PLACE ON THE PICNIC GROUNDS TO BUY GENUINE, FRESH CHICKEN SANDWICHES! TWENTY-FIVE CENTS! TWO BITS! ONE QUARTER OF A DOLLAR!

GIVE ME THREE!

I'LL TAKE TWO!





JEEPERS, MILLIE, YOU SURE KNOW HOW TO SELL! WE'RE ALL CLEANED OUT! YOU SURE WOWED 'EM! I WANT TO PAY YOU! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU SHOULD GET? HEY! SHE'S GONE—I'VE BEEN TALKIN' TO MYSELF!



OH, HERE YOU ARE! NOW THEN, MILLIE, LET'S SQUARE UP! GIVE ME MY MONEY, AND I'LL GIVE YOU TWENTY PER CENT OF WHAT YOU SOLD!

YOUR MONEY? WHY RICKY, DARLING, WHAT MONEY? I GUESS YOU MUST MEAN MY WAGES!



WAGES?

SURE! I TOOK IN FOUR DOLLARS ALL TOGETHER, SO SINCE MY SALARY AS SANDWICH SALESMAN IS WORTH FOUR DOLLARS AN HOUR, WE'RE ALL EVEN! YOU SEE, I JUST COLLECTED ENOUGH TO PAY ME!

YOU HEARD HER! G'WAN, BEAT IT!



HEY, SOMEONE ELSE TAKE MY TURN AT BAT! I'VE GOT OTHER BUSINESS!

YOU MEAN WE'VE GOT OTHER BUSINESS! HEY, RICKY—WHAT'S WRONG?



IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT ANYONE COULD BE SO MEAN! I GUESS IT'S MY FAULT FOR NOT HAVING HAD AN AGREEMENT WITH HER, FIRST OFF!

OF ALL THE LOUSY TRICKS! SHE REALLY IS A STINKER!

DON'T TAKE IT TOO HARD, RICKY! IT'S A TOUGH BREAK, BUT I THINK WE CAN HELP YOU LINE UP A JOB AT WHICH YOU CAN EARN A REGULAR SALARY! IT'LL BE STEADIER THAN WHAT YOU'RE DOING!



YOU'VE DONE ENOUGH FOR ME ALREADY! I WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO GO TO ANY MORE TROUBLE ON MY ACCOUNT, BUT I'M TRYING TO MAKE ENOUGH SO I CAN GO TO COLLEGE SOME DAY! I LIVE WITH MY AUNT AND UNCLE, AND THE ONLY MONEY I GET IS WHAT I CAN EARN!



HOW WAS IT, BOYS? HAVE A GOOD TIME?

DID WE, AND HOW! EXCEPT FOR ONE THING, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN PERFECT!

YEAH, ALL EXCEPT FOR SCARECROW'S GIRL, MILLIE! BOY, YOU SHOULD'VE SEEN HER OPERATE—A WITCH, IF I'VE EVER SEEN ONE!

DON'T CALL HER MY GIRL! I DON'T EVER WANT TO SEE HER AGAIN!



IT'S TWELVE O'CLOCK! IF MOM'S STILL UP, SHE'S GOING TO BE SORE AS THE DICKENS! MAYBE SHE'S OUT WITH HER BOY FRIEND, CHARLIE!



IT'S QUIET IN THERE! I DON'T THINK SHE'S HOME YET—WHAT A BREAK!





OH...I DIDN'T MEAN TO DISTURB YOU! I THOUGHT YOU WERE OUT!

SAY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING UP AT THIS HOUR?

WHY AREN'T YOU IN BED? YOU SHOULD'VE BEEN HOME HOURS AGO! GET TO BED BEFORE I...

BUT MOTHER, THE PICNIC DIDN'T END TILL LATE! I CAME STRAIGHT HOME! THE BUS HIT A LOT OF TRAFFIC!



GOODNIGHT, CHARLIE!

I..UH..I GUESS I'D BETTER RUN ALONG! I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW, EDITH!

MAKE IT AFTER SEVEN! I HAVE TO WORK A LITTLE LATE TOMORROW!



WHEN I COME HOME TONIGHT, I EXPECT TO SEE ALL THAT IRONING DONE! YOU'RE GONNA DO SOMETHING TO EARN YOUR KEEP!

OKAY, MOM! SEE YOU AT SEVEN! I'LL HAVE DINNER READY, TOO! HOW'S THAT?



SHOE FLY PIE, AN' APPLE PAN DOWDY...

COME IN!

KNOCK! KNOCK!



WHY, CHARLIE, YOU'RE EARLY! DON'T YOU REMEMBER? TONIGHT'S MOTHER'S LATE NIGHT!

DARN IT! I FORGOT! ISN'T THAT DUMB OF ME? OH, WELL, I'LL JUST WAIT AROUND!



YOU'RE GETTING PRETTIER EVERY DAY, MILLIE! I'LL BET YOU HAVE ALL THE BOYS ON THE BLOCK NUTS ABOUT YOU! DO YOU HAVE A SPECIAL BOY FRIEND?

WHO, ME? GOODNESS, NO! THE BOYS AROUND HERE ARE JUST KIDS! I'M TOO GROWN UP FOR THEM! I WANT SOMEONE OLDER!



HOW ABOUT ME? I'VE BEEN CRAZY ABOUT YOU EVER SINCE I LAID EYES ON YOU! MARRY ME, AND I'LL GIVE YOU ANYTHING YOU WANT!

MARRY YOU? DON'T BE RIDICULOUS! YOU'RE MOTHER'S BOY FRIEND AND YOU'RE ENGAGED TO HER!



YOU'RE NOT KIDDING ME, SO QUIT PLAYING HARD TO GET! YOU'VE KNOWN ALL ALONG THAT I'VE HAD MY EYE ON YOU! C'MON, GIVE ME A LITTLE KISS!

DON'T BE SILLY! NO, I SAID! GET YOUR HANDS OFF ME! WHY, YOU'RE OLD ENOUGH TO BE MY GRANDFATHER! STOP! SHH... I HEAR FOOTSTEPS!













IT'S ABOUT TIME JOE HIRED SOMEBODY WORTH LOOKIN' AT FOR A CHANGE! HOW ABOUT A DANCE, TONIGHT? I'LL SHOW YOU MY PART OF THE TOWN!

IT SOUNDS LIKE FUN! I'LL TAKE YOU UP ON IT! IT'S A DATE, BUT I HAVE TO FIND A ROOM, FIRST—AND YOU CAN HELP ME!



HOW YOU MAKIN' OUT, KID? EVERY-THING OKAY? IF THERE'S ANYTHING YOU WANT, JUST ASK FOR IT!

THANKS JOE! EVERY-THING'S UNDER CONTROL! I'M GOING TO LIKE IT HERE, WORKING FOR YOU!



MILLIE! OF ALL PEOPLE! FOR PETE'S SAKE, HOW LONG YOU BEEN WORKING HERE?

HI, RICKY! I JUST STARTED TODAY! MY, IT'S A SMALL WORLD, ISN'T IT? HOW'S THE PEDDLING BUSINESS?



JOE, YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE IT, BUT HE'S THE FIRST GUY I EVER WORKED FOR! MY SALARY WAS FOUR BUCKS AN HOUR, WASN'T IT, RICKY? HA, HA, HA!

WHAT? G'WAN, WHERE WOULD HE GET THAT KIND OF DOUGH TO PAY YOU WITH?

SHE ONLY WORKED FOR ONE HOUR!



IT WAS JUST A GAG, JOE! I WAS BROKE, SO I BORROWED IT FROM HIM! YOU'RE A GOOD KID, RICKY! I'LL PAY IT BACK TO YOU NEXT WEEK!

OH, I GET IT! MILLIE OWES YOU FOUR BUCKS! HERE, KID, I'LL SQUARE IT FOR HER!

OH, I CAN WAIT!



YOU BUSY TONIGHT, MILLIE? HOW'S CHANCES OF A DATE?

ALWAYS A SUCKER, AREN'T YOU? SORRY, RICKY, BUT I HAVE A DATE! MAYBE SOME OTHER TIME! WHY NOT DROP IN AGAIN SOON? I'VE GOT TO WAIT ON SOME CUSTOMERS! GOOD-BYE, NOW!



WHERE DO YOU LIVE, MILLIE? AND HOW ARE YOU FIXED FOR MONEY?

WELL, I'M KIND OF HOPEING YOU'LL GIVE ME TODAY'S PAY NOW, SO I CAN GET A HOTEL ROOM! OTHERWISE, IT'S THE PARK BENCH UNTIL PAY DAY!



BETTER STILL, HERE'S YOUR WEEK'S PAY IN ADVANCE! I'LL BET YOU NEED MONEY FOR SOME CLOTHES AND THINGS AS WELL! HOW ABOUT FIFTY? YOU CAN PAY ME BACK A LITTLE AT A TIME!

WHY JOE! HOW SWEET AND THOUGHTFUL OF YOU! YOU'RE JUST THE NICEST MAN I'VE EVER MET!



HOW MANY MEN HAVE YOU GOT BANGIN' THEIR HEADS AGAINST THE WALL? I COULD GO FOR A GIRL LIKE YOU—YOU'RE NOT SURPRISED TO FIND THAT OUT, ARE YOU? C'MON, GET YOUR THINGS, I'M READY TO KNOCK OFF NOW, ANYWAY! I'LL HELP YOU LOOK AROUND FOR A ROOM!

THAT'S KIND OF YOU, YOU FLATTERER! I'D ADORE TO, BUT I NEVER DREAMED YOU'D ASK ME, SO I MADE A DATE WITH HARRY FOR TONIGHT!





IS THAT ALL?  
THAT'S EASY! YOU  
JUST SIT TIGHT,  
AN' WATCH ME  
CHANGE HIS  
PLANS!

WAIT A MINUTE,  
JOE! IT'S NOT  
THAT I'D RATHER  
GO WITH HIM,  
BUT YOU AND I  
CAN MAKE IT  
SOME OTHER TIME—  
MAYBE TOMORROW!



WE MAY BE  
DEAD TOMORROW!  
I BELIEVE IN LIVIN'  
FOR TODAY! TO  
COP!! \*COP WITH  
TOMORROW!



WHAT? YOU'RE  
OUTTA YER HEAD!  
I'M TAKIN' HER  
OUT! ASK  
HER!

I'VE TAKEN  
ENOUGH  
COP!! FROM  
YOU! YOU  
KNOW WHAT  
YOU CAN DO  
WITH THIS  
JOB!

WHY, YOU  
COP!!  
I'LL SHOVE  
YER FACE  
DOWN YER  
THROAT!

SHE'S  
CHANGED  
HER MIND,  
AN' I'M  
CHANGIN'  
YOURS!



NO!  
AIEEE!!



WHAT  
HAPPENED,  
HARRY?  
OHHH!!

C'MON, MILLIE,  
HURRY UP!  
WE'RE GETTIN'  
OUTTA  
HERE!



HE WAS ASKIN'  
FOR IT, SO HE  
GOT IT! GET MOVIN',  
BABY! PUT OUT  
THE LIGHTS! WE'RE  
LOCKIN' UP! WE'LL  
BE IN FRISCO  
BEFORE THEY  
FIND HIM!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN  
WE? WHO SAID  
ANYTHING ABOUT  
GOING OUTTA TOWN?  
YOU MADE THIS  
BED, SO SLEEP  
IN IT!



GET THIS, SISTER!  
YOU'RE IN THIS AS  
DEEP AS I AM!  
YOU'RE GONNA DO  
AS I TELL YA!  
Y' GET ME? NOW,  
MOVE! START  
LOCKIN' UP!

THIS IS  
ALL YOUR  
DOING! I DON'T  
WANT NO  
PART OF IT!



YOU'RE NOT GETTING ME MIXED  
UP IN THIS! I'VE GOT NOTHIN' TO  
BE SCARED OF! AN' DON'T BE  
AFRAID, I WON'T TELL! AS FAR  
AS THE COPS ARE CONCERNED, I  
LEFT HERE TWO  
HOURS AGO! I  
WON'T KNOW  
FROM  
NOTHIN'!

OH, YEAH?  
SUPPOSE THEY  
DON'T BELIEVE YOU?  
NO, BABY, I'M TAKIN'  
NO CHANCES!



I'M THROUGH TALKIN'! YOU'RE  
EITHER COMIN' WITH ME, OR I'M  
GONNA GIVE YA THE SAME AS  
HE GOT! NOW, SHUT UP!

WHO WANTS TO GO  
TO FRISCO? WHAT'S  
WRONG WITH RIGHT  
HERE? THIS IS THE  
EASIEST PLACE IN THE  
WORLD TO GET  
LOST IN!







SORRY, BOY, BUT WE'LL HAVE TO HOLD YOU HERE ON SUSPICION! IS THERE ANYONE YOU WANT TO NOTIFY? WHERE ARE YOUR FOLKS?

THERE'S NO ONE RIGHT NOW! MY UNCLE IS WORKING AND MY AUNT'S SICK! THERE'S NO ONE, UNLESS, YES, WHERE'S THE PHONE?

GEE, JOCK, I HATE TO BOTHER YOU GUYS, BUT I DO NEED SOME HELP! I HAVE NO OTHER FRIENDS TO CALL ON, AND PLEASE BE CAREFUL HOW YOU BREAK IT TO MY AUNT! SHE'S GOT A BAD HEART! NOW LISTEN...

LEAVE IT TO US, RICKY! WHAT PRECINCT ARE YOU AT? SIXTH...OKAY, WHAT? THAT'S CRAZY, RICKY—OF COURSE NOT! IF YOU DIDN'T DO IT, YOU'VE GOT NOTHING TO FEAR! WE'LL SEE YOU LATER!

HIS AUNT TOOK IT ALL RIGHT, D.D.! AFTER THAT WE TALKED TO EVERYONE AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD! JOE HAD A CHEF WORKING FOR HIM AND HE'S DISAPPEARED, TOO!

IT'S A PIPE CINCH THE MISSING CHEF AND THE GIRL ARE EITHER ON THEIR WAY OUT OF THE CITY, OR GETTING READY TO LEAVE! I WONDER IF THE POLICE ARE CHECKING THE STATIONS! I'M GOING TO CALL 'EM!



WHEN WE GET TO FRISCO, WE'LL GET MARRIED! NO ONE WILL KNOW US OUT THERE, AN' WE CAN START FRESH!

MARRY YOU? NOW LISTEN, I MAY BE DUMB ENOUGH TO LET YOU BULLDOZE ME INTO RUNNING TO FRISCO BUT I'M NOT THAT DUMB!

MAYBE YOU'D RATHER BURN IN THE CHAIR! YOU'RE DEEP IN A MURDER, YOU DIZZY DAME! WILL YOU GET THAT THROUGH YOUR THICK SKULL! WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE I'D DO IF WE WERE PICKED UP, TAKE THE BLAME? NUTS, I WOULD! I'D SWEAR YOU DID IT! MY WORD WOULD BE AS GOOD AS YOURS!

I WISH I'D NEVER MET YOU! I WISH... I... OH, WHAT'S THE USE? YOU WIN—LET'S GO!



COPS! LOOK OUT! JUMP IN THE TRAIN, QUICK!

FREEZE! OR I'LL BLOW YOUR HEAD OFF!

IT'S NO USE! THEY'RE ALL OVER THE PLACE!

IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHO KILLED JOE, ASK HER! I'LL ADMIT I WAS AN ACCESSORY OR WHATEVER YOU CALL IT, BUT SHE DID IT!

IT'S NOT TRUE! OH, IT'S NOT! IT'S NOT!

SAVE YOUR BREATH! ANYTHING YOU SAY MAY BE USED AGAINST YOU! C'MON, LET'S GO!

HOW CAN YOU STAND THERE AND LIE LIKE THAT! YOU KNOW YOU DID IT! FESS UP, AN' MAYBE THEY'LL GO EASY ON YOU! GO AHEAD, TELL 'EM! TELL 'EM HOW YOU BEGGED ME TO DO IT, AND WHEN YOU SAW I WOULDN'T DO YOUR BLOODY WORK, YOU DID IT YOURSELF!

IT'S A LIE! I DIDN'T! I SWEAR I DIDN'T!





IT'S OBVIOUS THAT THIS BOY WAS AN INNO-CENT BYSTANDER! HE HAD NO PART IN THE CRIME! I ASK, YOUR HONOR, THAT YOU RELEASE HIM IN MY CUSTODY!

IN MY JUDGE-MENT, HE IS INNOCENT, AND I ACCEPT YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS! THE PRISONER IS RELEASED! WHO'S THE NEXT DEFENDANT?



I FELL FOR HER LIKE A TON OF BRICKS—THAT'S WHERE I MADE MY MISTAKE! IT'S THE HONEST TRUTH! I HEARD THEM QUARREL-LING! THEN SHE FOLLOWED HIM INTO THE KITCHEN AND GRABBED UP A KNIFE! BEFORE I COULD STOP HER, SHE HAD KILLED HIM! SHE BEGGED ME NOT TO TELL AND LIKE A FOOL, I AGREED TO RUN AWAY WITH HER!



YOUR HONOR, I HAVE SOME EVIDENCE THAT I WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT TO THE GRAND JURY! FIRST, THE DEFENDANTS CLOTHES! THEY ARE COVERED WITH THE VICTIM'S BLOODSTAINS! INCIDENTALLY, THE GIRL ONLY KNEW THE VICTIM SLIGHTLY, WHICH, IN MY OPINION, INDICATES THE ABSENCE OF A MOTIVE!



AND THIS KNIFE, THE MURDER WEAPON, WHICH BEARS THE FINGER-PRINTS OF HARRY TEMPEST!



HIS BLOODY FINGERPRINTS ARE ALSO ON THE RIFLED CASH REGISTER, AND AS FINAL PROOF, I HAVE A SIGNED MEDICAL STATEMENT SAYING THAT THE DEATH BLOW WAS OF SUCH FORCE THAT IT COULD ONLY HAVE BEEN STRUCK BY A MAN!



HARRY TEMPEST, YOU ARE HEREBY REMANDED TO THE GRAND JURY! AN INDICTMENT IS A FOREGONE CONCLU-SION! I ONLY HOPE THAT YOUR TRIAL WILL BE SWIFT AND THE VERDICT STRONG! TAKE HIM AWAY!

AND NOW FOR YOU, MILLIE WITHERS, YOU ARE FREED OF THE MURDER CHARGE, BUT I AM RECOMMENDING THAT YOU BE SENT TO A GIRL'S HOME UNTIL YOU BECOME OF AGE, BECAUSE YOU NEED STRICT MORAL GUIDANCE, IF YOU ARE EVER TO BECOME A GOOD CITIZEN!



WHAT A DOPE RICKY WAS, STICKING HIS NECK OUT AGAIN, AFTER THE DIRTY DEAL SHE GAVE HIM AT THE PICNIC! MAYBE NOW HE'S LEARNED HIS LESSON!

I HOPE HE HAS! MILLIE MAY CHANGE IN THE RIGHT ATMOSPHERE, BUT RICKY'S SUCH A NICE KID, I'D HATE TO SEE HIM TAKE A CHANCE ON A GIRL LIKE HER, WHEN THERE ARE SO MANY REALLY NICE GIRLS HE COULD KNOW! I THINK HE REALIZES THAT NOW!



I'D LIKE TO LEAVE THESE FOR MISS MILLIE WITHERS! TELL HER THEY'RE FROM RICKY, AND TELL HER IF SHE EVER WANTS ANYTHING, TO WRITE AND LET ME KNOW, NO MATTER WHAT IT IS!



THE END



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## A CRIMEBUSTER STORY

**C**RIMEBUSTER, Inspector Crandell and Steve Atkins stared down at the dead body of Leslie Atkins, slumped over his special typewriter, which was a symbol of his victory over the tragedy of his years of blindness. The tiny, single hole in his right temple was hidden by a towel, carefully wrapped around his head.

"He was careful, precise and thoughtful of others, even in death," said Crandell. "Imagine a man preparing to die, and trying to spare others the sight of blood in his last moments!"

*Crimebuster* turned away. "Well, the world has lost a great writer and a true friend—we've all lost a friend, although I, myself, was only acquainted with Mr. Atkins through his work."

He stepped quietly across the room and placed his hand gently on the shoulder of the sobbing woman who sat hunched in a chair. "Mrs. Atkins," he said, "I hate to do this, believe me, but I'm afraid we must ask you a few questions."

Marie Atkins raised her blond head to reveal a pretty, tear-stained face. "Couldn't we—wouldn't tomorrow be soon enough?"

Before *Crimebuster* could answer, Steve Atkins stepped forward. "Gentlemen," he said, "I know as much of the circumstances of my brother's death as his wife does. Suppose you let me answer the questions for her? After all—I'm sorry to say that it was I who brought my brother the news which caused this tragedy."

"Fair enough," answered Crandell. "Perhaps we won't have to bother Mrs. Atkins at all. Now, Mr. Atkins—what was this news you just spoke about?"

"Well, it was a hard blow for poor Les," answered his brother. "I had been to see Dr. McAuliffe, who had been treating Les for years. My brother had asked me to find out the truth about his eyes. He was afraid the doctor might be trying to spare him."

Crandell nodded. "And did you discover the truth?"

"I'm afraid I did," said Atkins. "Dr. McAuliffe told me that there was absolutely no hope of Leslie's ever recovering his sight!"

"And so you told him about it," said Crandell, his tone more of a statement than a question.

Atkins nodded. "Believe me, I didn't want to. You see, I knew how Les felt. He had married Marie only a few weeks before he lost his sight, and although Marie showed no sign of pity, I know Les felt that if his sight was not restored, he had no right to hold her. But he insisted that

I tell him the truth, and since I had promised—I did." "And what were the immediate circumstances leading up to his death?" asked *Crimebuster*, as he sat on the edge of the dead man's desk, idly fingering a fountain pen.

"Well, there's nothing much to tell," answered Atkins. "After I told him the bad news, he didn't say much. Finally, he asked us to leave him alone for awhile. We went outside on the terrace, not ten yards away. In a moment we heard him typing and thought he had gotten hold of himself and gone back to work. And then—we heard the shot! We rushed back in here, and found him as you see him."

A sob shook Marie Atkins' frame. "Poor Les," she muttered. "He must have known all along and planned his suicide in advance!"

In answer to Crandell's questioning look, Atkins said, "I think she means about the bonds and all that. You see, he had everything arranged, as you would expect him to do. There are bonds, stocks, deeds, and a perfectly written will leaving everything to Marie, in a drawer of the desk." He reached to pick a piece of paper from the desk-top. "And here is the note he left."

*Crimebuster* leaned over Crandell's shoulder. His eyes narrowed slowly as he read the note in the Inspector's hand.

Dearest Marie:

It's no use. I am hurting you much too much this way. My affliction is more than I can stand. Goodbye, my darling—remember I will always love you.

Les.

P.S. I have left everything to you. Look in the desk drawer.

As Crandell pocketed the note, *Crimebuster* glanced at the desk, placed the dead man's pen carefully in its rack, and started for the door. "Excuse me a moment, will you? I'll be right back," he said.

Crandell opened his mouth, as if to question *Crimebuster*, and then shrugged and turned back to Atkins. "And that's the whole story, then?"

Atkins shrugged. "That's all there is—except, of course, that we called the police immediately. Then we just—waited. There was nothing at all we could do for Les."

"And the bonds," said Crandell, "are they all there?"

"We can easily check," answered Atkins, stepping over to open a drawer in the big desk. Reaching in, he extracted a neat bundle of pa-



pers, brought them over and dropped them on a table beside Crandell. "Here they are."

Crandell picked up the package and rifled through it. "Bonds, stocks and securities," he said. "Plus a deed to this house and other properties, and an airtight will. Very neat."

"Much too neat—all of it!" said *Crimebuster*.

Crandell frowned. "Just what did you mean by that?"

"Exactly what I said," answered *Crimebuster*, speaking directly to Crandell and ignoring the others. "Has it occurred to you, Crandell, that a man as obviously neat as Leslie Atkins would be very unlikely to keep his most valuable papers in an unlocked desk drawer?"

"Well—now that you mention it—" Crandell spoke slowly, thinking hard.

"And that a man famous for his courage and integrity should kill himself because of blindness—after achieving fame and fortune *while* he was blind? For the first time *Crimebuster* stared directly at Steve Atkins.

Atkins met his gaze calmly. "Exactly what are you inferring, young man?"

"I'm inferring nothing," answered *Crimebuster*. "I am accusing you, and perhaps Mrs. Atkins, of the murder of Leslie Atkins."

Crandell started. "Now, wait a minute—" he began, but Atkins interrupted him smoothly.

"Don't be a fool! What chance would a tale like yours stand in court?"

"Very little," said *Crimebuster*, "but there's an added factor to consider. I left the room just now and phoned Dr. McAuliffe. He informed me that he had called Leslie early this morning, to tell him that he had made a mistake in his calculations. Mr. Atkins had a very good chance of recovering his eyesight within six months!"

Steve Atkins, leaning against the desk, involuntarily slipped his right hand behind him for support, but managed to preserve his outward air of calm. He smiled rightly.

"And what if he did? You still have no evidence of murder!"

*Crimebuster* smiled wearily. "Your own stupidity gave us the evidence, Atkins," he answered. "Take a look at this note, Crandell."

As Crandell unfolded the note, *Crimebuster* went on evenly, "If I recall correctly the words 'much' and 'remember' are misspelled, and corrected in ink, and the word 'affliction' is misspelled, and left uncorrected. Right, Crandell?"

Crandell nodded, and *Crimebuster* continued. "This typewriter was Leslie Atkins' business and his friend. He could use it as easily as he could

talk, and I doubt that we'll find any mistakes in any of his manuscripts. And yet there are three mistakes in that short note. The obvious conclusion is that it was written by someone else!"

Atkins' face was growing red. "Nonsense," he growled. "You still have no evidence! Anyone can make mistakes."

"That's true," answered *Crimebuster*, "anyone can make mistakes. But the one you made is going to send you to the chair! I guarantee that no blind man can find the exact spot on a piece of typewritten paper where he made a mistake, and then correct it in ink! And if further proof is necessary, I took the liberty of searching Leslie Atkins' pockets when we first arrived. He has no pen on his person—and the pen on his desk is bone dry!"

There was complete silence in the room for a moment. Even Marie Atkins had been shocked into ceasing her crying. And then Steve Atkins moved—to reveal the gun which had killed his brother, in his right hand, pointing steadily at *Crimebuster*!

"I'm confessing nothing," he cried, "but I'm not staying here to take the blame for this! I'm getting out now—" His voice wavered, as *Crimebuster* walked calmly towards him, and then he shouted, "Stand back! I swear I'll shoot you!"

Atkins' voice rose to a shriek on the last words, and his hand jumped convulsively, as his finger tightened on the trigger. With a sweeping motion, *Crimebuster* knocked the gun contemptuously from the trembling hand. "I took those bullets out long ago," *Crimebuster* said quietly, as he looked Atkins square in the eye, with a look of stern determination.

Atkins stared for a moment in terror at *Crimebuster's* set face, and then scrambled behind the desk. "Don't touch me," he screamed. "Inspector, don't let him get me! I'll confess! I shot him—Marie and I planned it together. We were going to get married later! I'll talk—but don't let him hurt me!"

A few minutes later, *Crimebuster* turned from a last, silent look of tribute at the remains of Leslie Atkins, to watch the two killers leave the room in the firm grip of two of Crandell's men.

"You know, Crandell, I've caught, or helped to catch, quite a few murderers in my time," *Crimebuster* said slowly, "but I've rarely been so glad to see justice done. There go two symbols of what's wrong with this world. Greed, callousness and stupidity grow like weeds, but often the decent people of the world, like Leslie Atkins, are too soft-hearted to cut them down."



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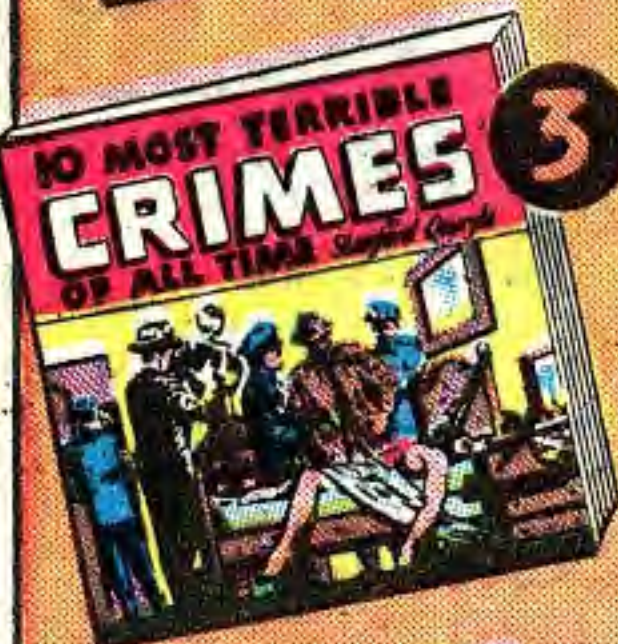
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IT DON'T SEEM TO  
BOTHER SATAN  
NONE, THOUGH!

HMMP! ANYBODY  
WHO DON'T FEEL  
DIS WEATHER JEST  
AIN'T HUMAN! DA  
ONLY THING TA DO IS  
TA HOP OUT IN DA  
COUNTRY FER A  
COUPLA DAYS TA  
GIT COOL!

SWELL!  
WHERE'LL  
WE GO?



WHY, I THINK  
BOHOKEN WOULD  
BE A VERY  
CHARMIN' RUSTIC  
RETREAT!  
WHADDA YA  
SAY?

BOHOKEN! I  
PERSONALLY  
CAN'T GIVE THE  
PLACE MUCH OF  
A BOOST 'AS  
A COUNTRY RESORT,  
OR A SPA, OR A  
RELAXING PLACE  
OF ANY KIND!



AW, ANY  
PLACE WEST  
OF DA HUDSON  
IS COUNTRY  
TO ME! BESIDES,  
LOOK HOW  
CLOSE  
IT IS!

CONNECTICUT IS A  
NICE PLACE!  
PENNSYLVANIA IS  
OKAY—EVEN  
SACKENHACK  
AIN'T BAD...BUT  
BOHOKEN!!  
GAD!!



YEAH, BUT BESIDES, A BIG  
CONVENTION OF ALL DA  
TOP GUYS IN DA RACKETS  
IS GONNA COME OFF  
TONIGHT IN BOHOKEN,  
SO WHAT ARE WE  
WAITIN' FOR?  
LET'S GO!









SO, GENTS, I WANNA INTERDUCE A MOTION TO ORGANIZE ALL US INDEPENDENT LOAN COMPANIES TOGETHER, SO'S WE CAN PRESENT A MORE SOLID FRONT AGAINST THIS INTERFERENCE, FROM DA COPPERS! ALL IN FAVOR SAY "AYE"!

NO!

I'M AGIN' IT!

INCLUDE ME OUT!



HOW ABOUT YOU, GALUZZI? YOU'RE A BIG LOAN SHARK! WHADDA YA SAY?

I SAY, NO! I ALSO CLAIM IT'S ALL A LOW, DIRTY SCHEME TA SEIZE CONTROL FER YERSELF, YA CROOK! ALSO, I'M COMIN' UP THERE AN' BEAT YER HEAD IN!



AW, CALM DOWN, GALUZZI! BIG LAUGH HAS GOT YER BEST INTERESTS AT HEART, I THINK!

AW, THAT BIG PIG IS ALWEZ TRYIN' TA HOG EVERYTHIN' AN' I PERSONALLY RESENT IT VERY, VERY MUCH!

LET'S WIND DIS MEETIN' UP! I GOT A DATE!



DAT SURE WAS A EXCITIN' CONVENTION, BUT WHAT THE HECK HAPPENED TO SNIFFER?

HERE HE COMES NOW! BIG LAUGH IS WITH 'IM!



SAY, IF YOU TWO GUYS ARE WAITIN' FOR SNIFFER, YOU MIGHT AS WELL BLOW! SNIFFER AND I HAVE A...AH... APPOINTMENT!

BIG LAUGH IS SO GRATEFUL 'CAUSE I CALMED DOWN EARS. GALUZZI, DAT HE IS TAKIN' ME OVER TO MEET DA TRUCK DRIVER'S DAUGHTER!

YEH?



RIGHT! THE TRUCK DRIVER'S DAUGHTER IS SO BEAUTIFUL THAT SOME GUYS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO GO SILLY JUST FROM LOOKING AT HER!

HOWEVER, IT SEEMS HER OLD MAN, DA TRUCK DRIVER, IS A REAL, MEAN CHARACTER AN' HE NEVER LETS NOBODY GET NEAR DA POOR KID!



YEP! HE'S NOT ONLY MEAN, BUT DANGEROUS! YEAH, HE ONCE SHOT A GUY'S HEAD CLEAN OFF, JUST FOR THINKING ABOUT HIS DAUGHTER! HOWEVER, WE HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT!

YEAH, LUCKILY BIG LAUGH KNOWS DA TRUCK DRIVER HAPPENS TA BE OUT OF TOWN, DRIVIN' HIS LONG DISTANCE TRUCK, SO BIG LAUGH FIGGERS IT'S SAFE TO CALL ON HER!



WELL, I AM VERY SURPRISED AT SNIFFER FER FALLIN' FER AN OLD GAG LIKE "THE TRUCK DRIVER'S DAUGHTER"—IMAGINE!

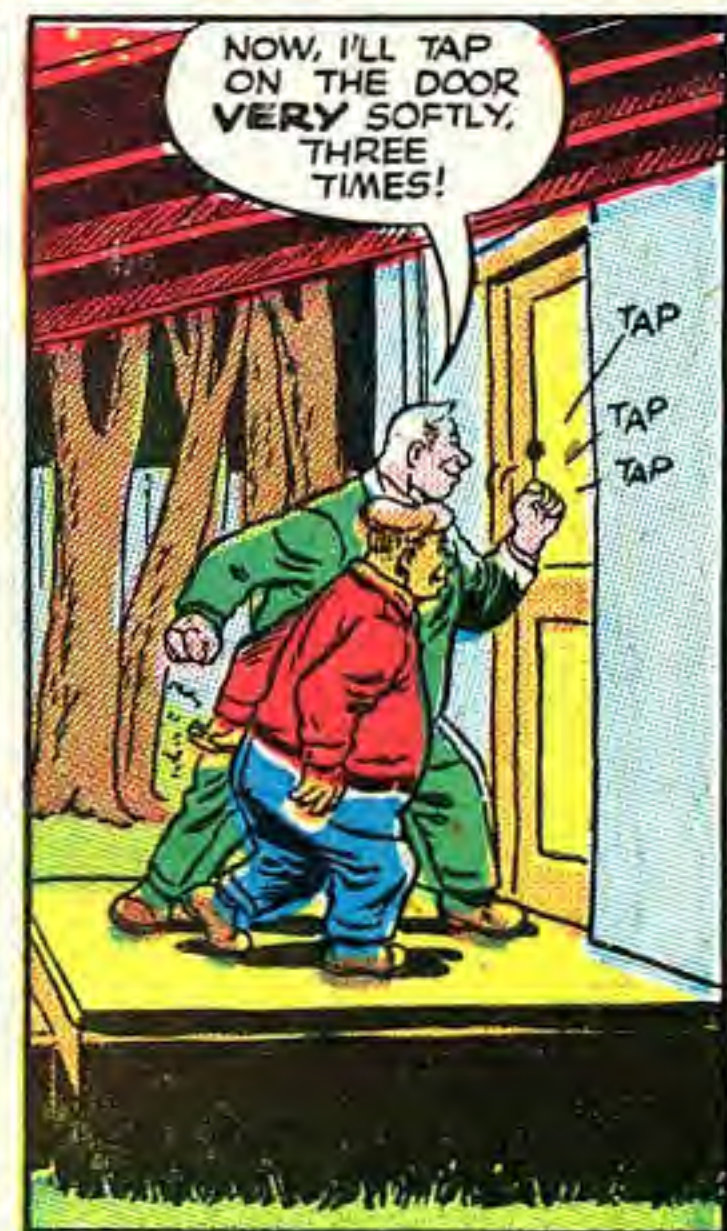
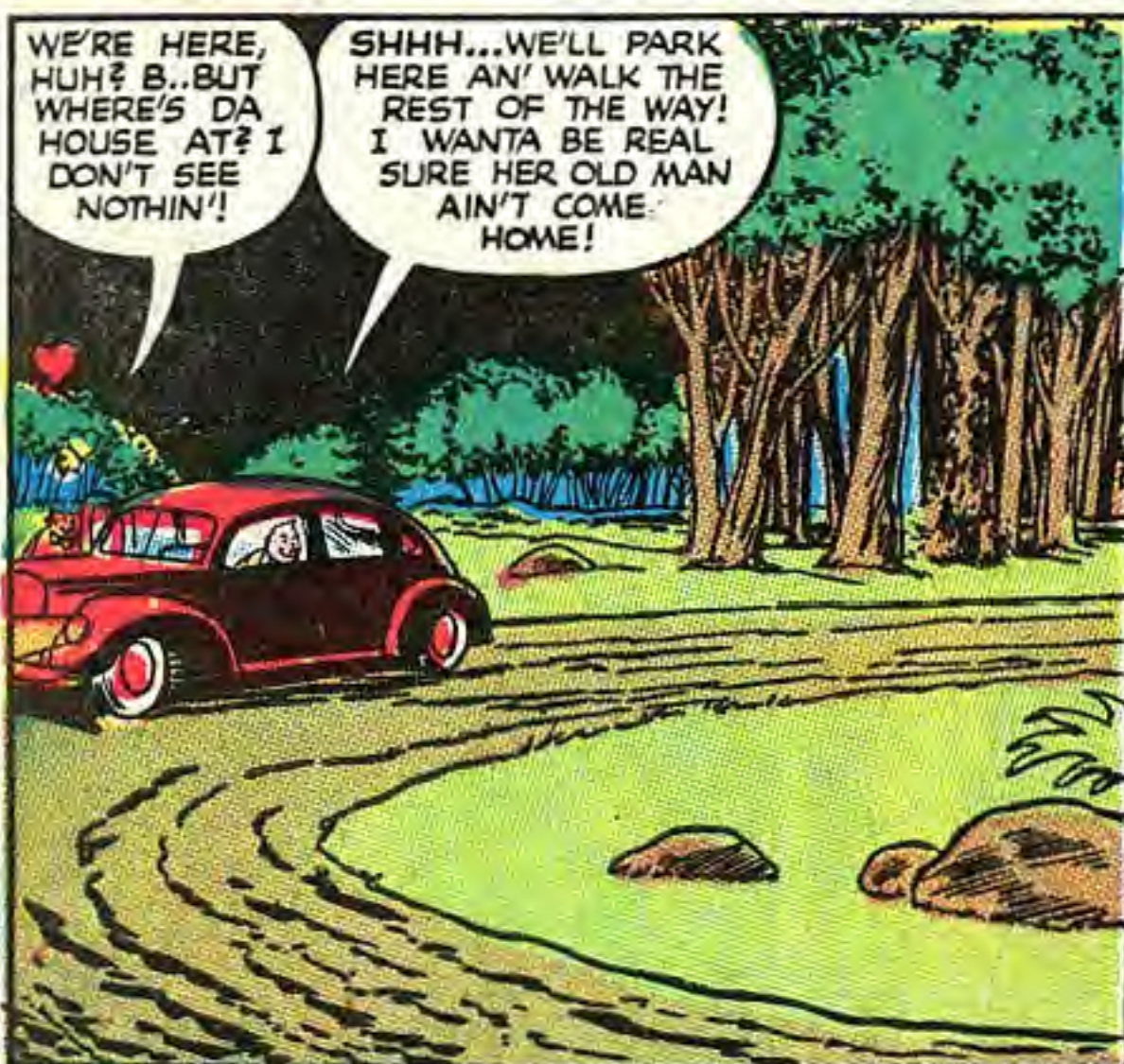
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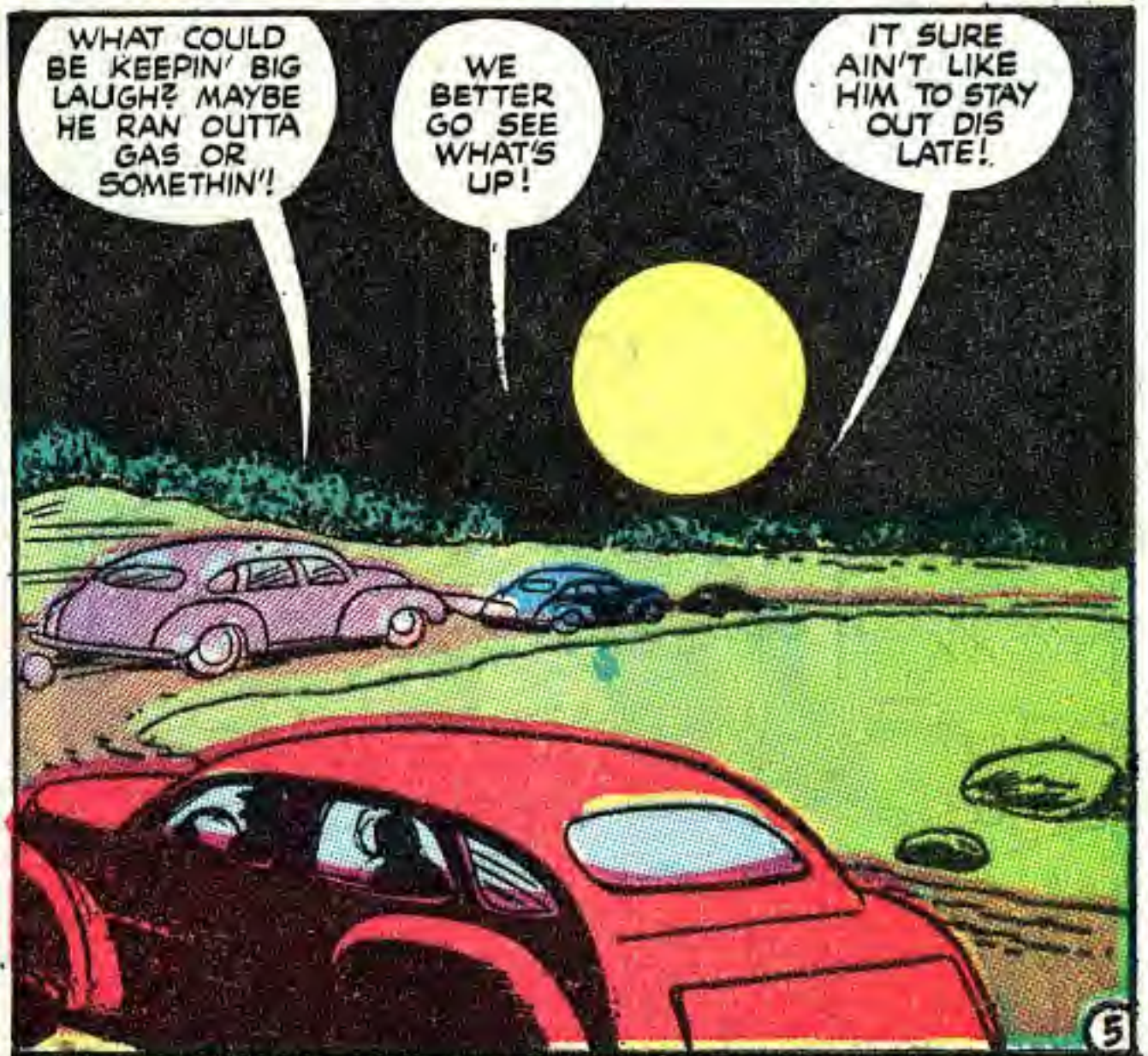
SURE! BIG LAUGH HIDES A BUNCH OF GUYS OUTSIDE SOME DESERTED HOUSE, WHERE HE CLAIMS THE TRUCK DRIVER'S DAUGHTER LIVES! THEN, WHEN BIG LAUGH AND THE POOR SUCKER START SNEAKIN' UP TO THE PLACE, THE GUYS COME BUSTING AROUND THE CORNER OF THE HOUSE, YELLIN' AN' POPPIN' LIGHT BULBS!

AN' THE POOR DOPE THINKS IT'S THE TRUCK DRIVER, HUH?

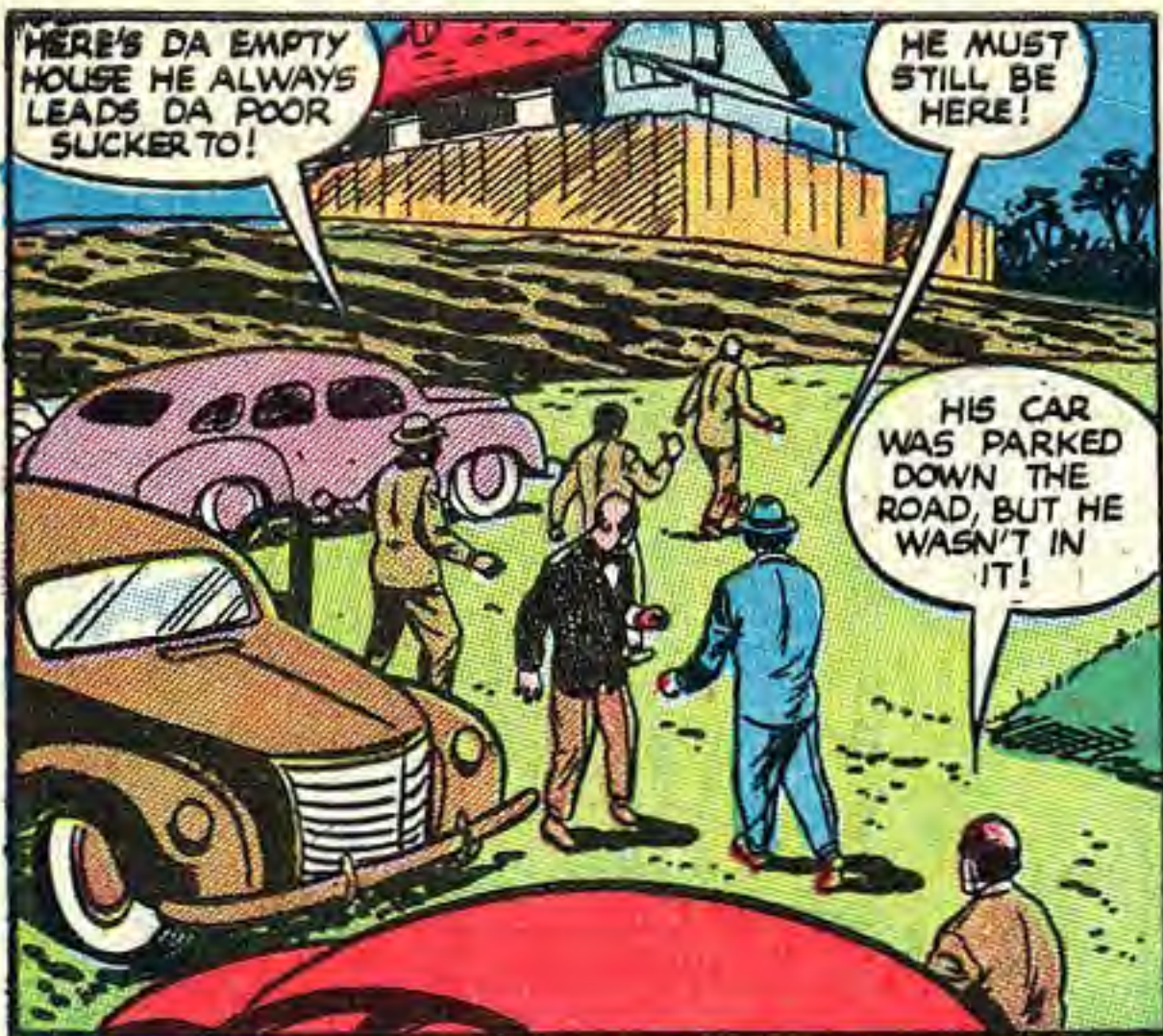








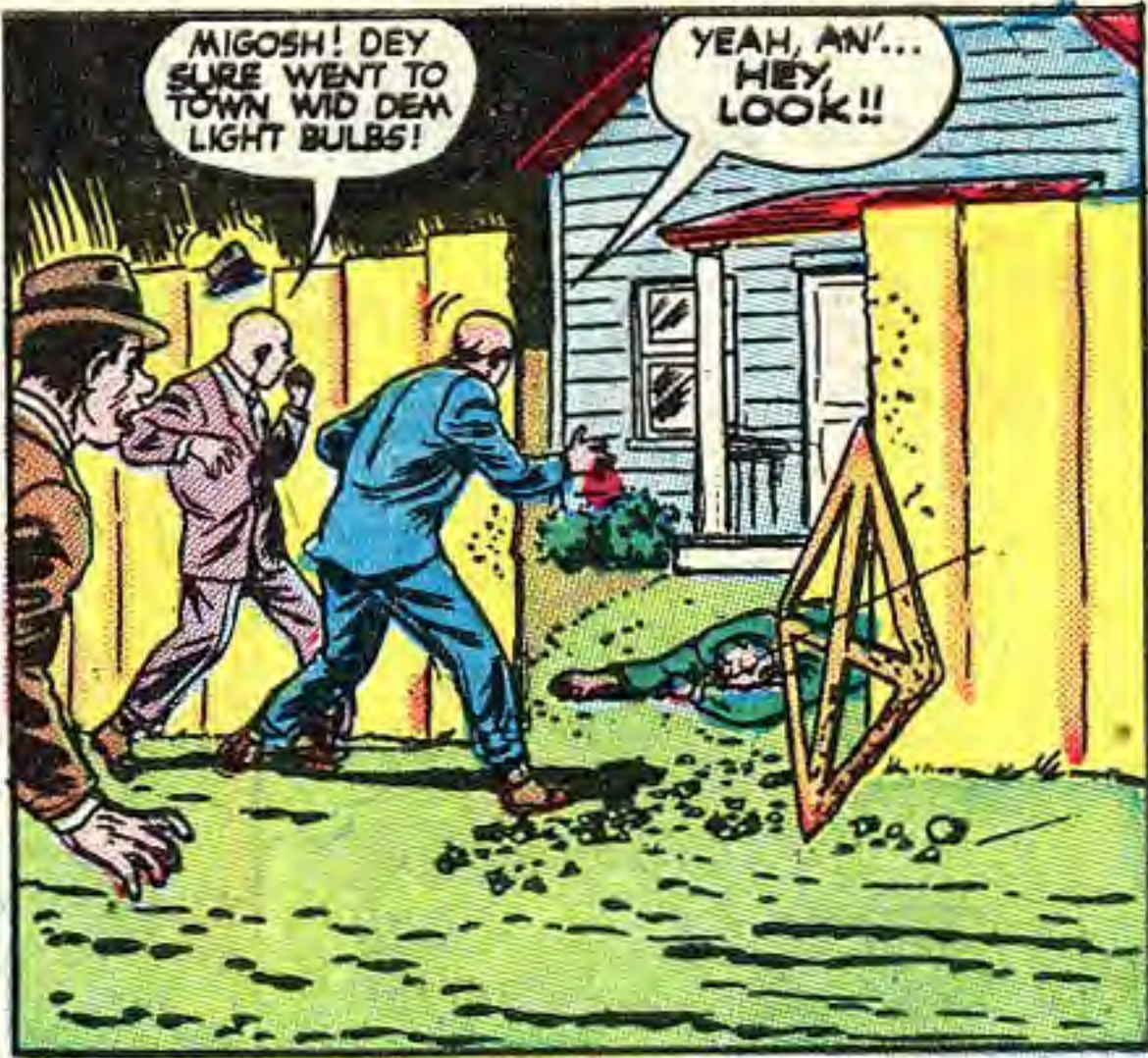




HERE'S DA EMPTY HOUSE HE ALWAYS LEADS DA POOR SUCKER TO!

HE MUST STILL BE HERE!

HIS CAR WAS PARKED DOWN THE ROAD, BUT HE WASN'T IN IT!



MIGOSH! DEY SURE WENT TO TOWN WID DEM LIGHT BULBS!

YEAH, AN'... HEY, LOOK!!



TURN HIM OVER! CHEE! IT'S BIG LAUGH! WOW! LOOK AT HIS HEAD!

HE'S OUT LIKE A LIGHT, BUT HE'S STILL GOT DAT BIG GRIN ON HIS PUSS!



WHO D'YA SUPPOSE ROUGHED HIM UP?

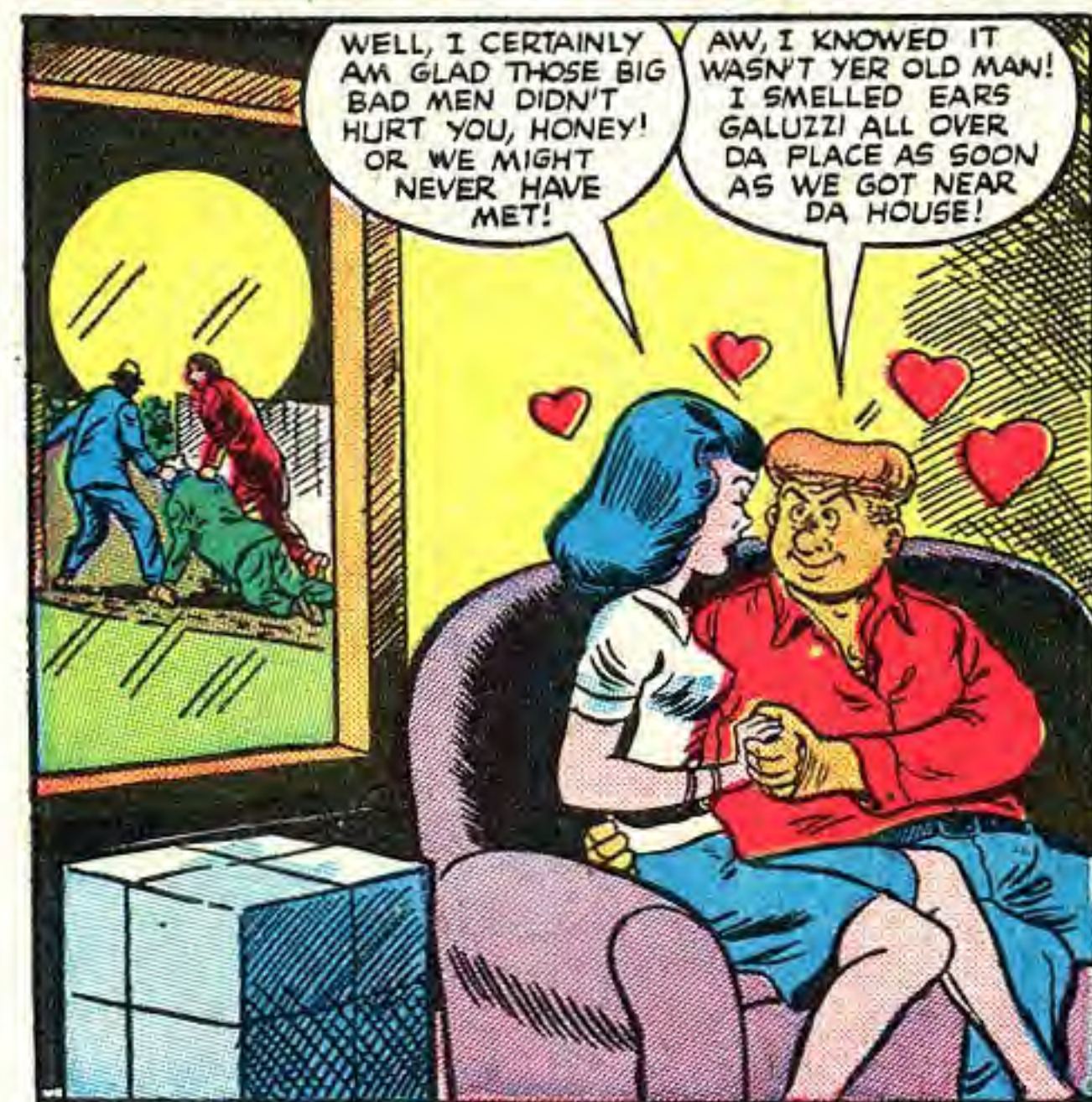
SAY, I GET IT! EARS GALUZZI AN' SOME OF HIS BOYS CAME OUT TA HELP BIG LAUGH PULL OFF DA GAG BY HEAVIN' LIGHT BULBS AN' YELLIN'!



YEAH, AN' EARS HAD GOT PRETTY BURNED UP AT BIG LAUGH DIS EVENIN'! DEY WERE BUSTIN' PLENTY OF LIGHT BULBS AN' MUSTA MISTOOK BIG LAUGH'S HEAD FOR ONE!

HE'LL BE OUT FOR DAYS! I GUESS WE BETTER LUG HIM AWAY!

THAT'S THE BIGGEST BUMP I EVER SAW! POOR BIG LAUGH!



WELL, I CERTAINLY AM GLAD THOSE BIG BAD MEN DIDN'T HURT YOU, HONEY! OR WE MIGHT NEVER HAVE MET!

AW, I KNEWED IT WASN'T YER OLD MAN! I SMELLED EARS GALUZZI ALL OVER DA PLACE AS SOON AS WE GOT NEAR DA HOUSE!



BUT LET'S TALK ABOUT YOU! SO YOU'RE DA TRUCK DRIVER'S DAUGHTER! WELL, YOU SURE ARE ALL DAT BIG LAUGH CLAIMED, AN' I SURE APPRECIATE HIM BRINGIN' ME OUT HERE!

BUT HOW DID YOU GET MY NEW ADDRESS SO FAST? WE'RE JUST MOVING IN! AND WHAT DO YOU MEAN, TRUCK DRIVER? MY PAPA IS THE BEST TAXICAB DRIVER IN BOHOKEN!

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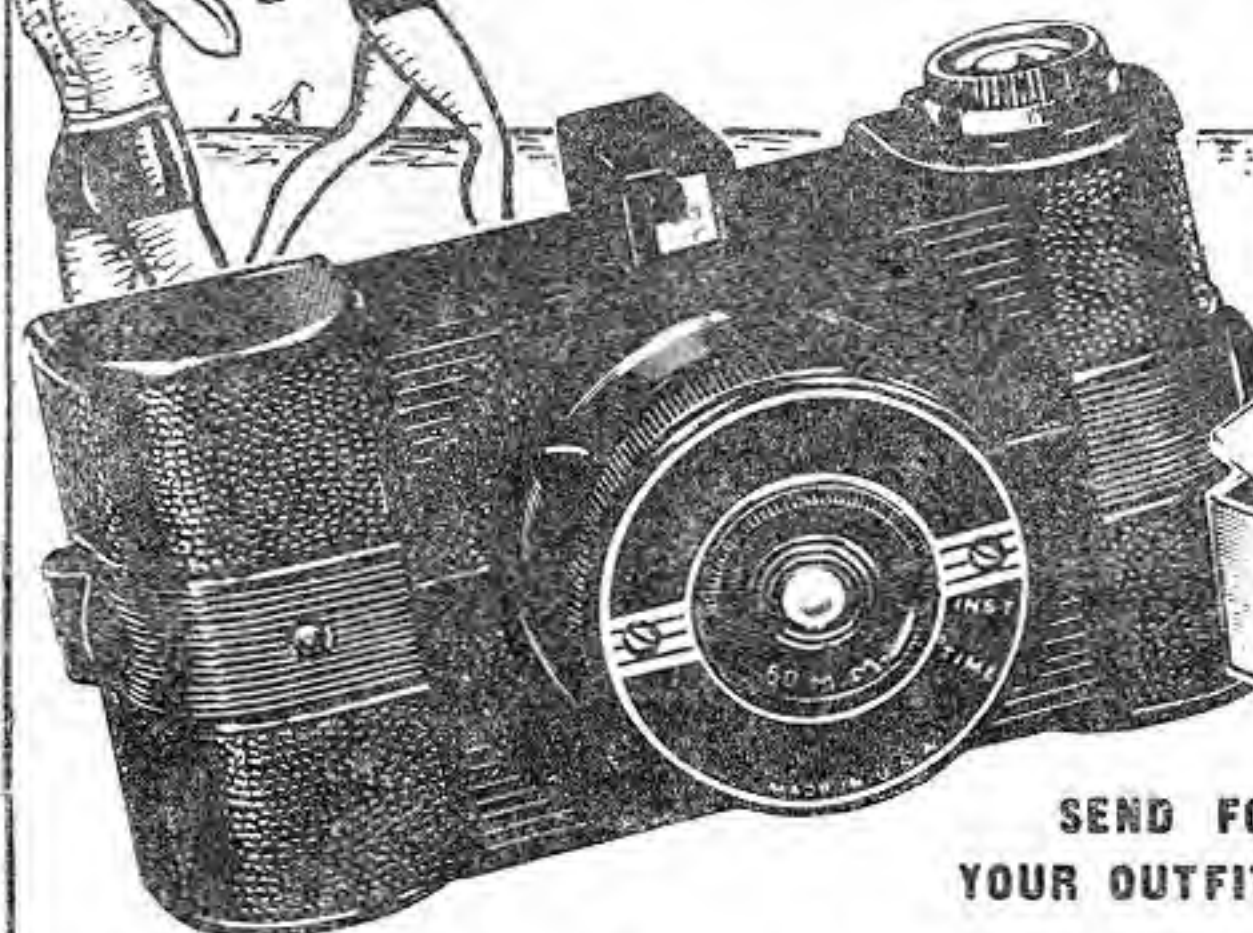
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